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TWIRR #80

by Fred Schwan

Happy New Year! Believe it or not, I have been working on my office. No, the black hole is not going to disappear. Indeed, I might be losing ground!

Actually, there is a little story about the black hole that I think I have not told. One day a few years ago I went into the hole and got me feet wet. Oh my. It took me a longer than it should have to figure out what had happened. The hot water heater in the closet adjacent to the hole had lost its bottom and the water had found its way into the hole. Now for the really surprising part. In order to reconcile the mess, I had to empty the hole. Yes, empty! Boy that was a lot of work. Then of course I had to bring it all back in. Oh my aching back.

Now that I think about it, this is the second plumbing story. At a more distant time there was some kind of lead with the clothes washer. I mostly remember Bill Yanchick providing some plumbing tips for collectors after that mess. His father was a plumber so he learned all of the tricks and problems at an early age.

One of the pleasures (possibly the only one) has been finding books and documents that I not only had not seen in a long time, but in many cases that I did not remember at all. Finding these old friends gave me the idea to start a new TWIRR series. If I write reviews or give commentary on books here in the hole, I can fill up- the Gram (or at least my TWIRRs) for a long time. Perhaps we should number the TWIRR #90/1 in the style of MPC printings. No, I do not really want to do that, but I should

be able to keep going using this approach for at least another hundred years!

The first item for discussion is Canal Zone Military Chits by Warren Lloyd Plumer. It is a small pamphlet published in 1976. It is a listing of chits from the Canal Zone. In the acknowledgements, Plumer states that he is also the author of Panama and Canal Zone Tokens which he also reports was out of print in 1976 but another edition was planned.

I collected military money in 1976 but do not remember either of these work nor Mr. Plumer. However, he does credit greatly the 1969 A Trial Listing of Military Chits by Ruth Hill. That book and Mrs. Hill I knew well. Plumer actually reproduces the introduction from Hill's work as the introduction to this pamphlet. The introduction was written by A. J. Swails who is of course famous as the author of the first pamphlet attempting a comprehensive listing of military notes.

In the acknowledgements, Plumer credits Ralph Baskett, Vic Fickling, Ruth Hill, Edward Majilton and Betty Tiemeyer. Of these I only knew/know the aforementioned Hill and Vic Fickling. Ruth has been gone for way too many years and I have not heard from Vic in a long time. Plumer lists Vic Flicking, but I am quite sure that it is Vic Fickling. Does anyone know for sure?

The closing statement of the Swails introduction is interesting. He said:

A conservative guess as to the number of chit collectors is 50,000. Many of these collect only from places they have personally used them. Others try for a general collection

Wow. 50,000! have from time to time discussed how many MPC collectors there are out there. We did not come up with very satisfactory answers I must admit. Still, 50,000 sounds like a crazy number. Remember, this was before the Internet era!

Is it possible that chit collecting was wildly popular in 1976 and has waned? Yes, it is possible, but I still think that that number is crazy.

I have never seriously collected chits. In spite of that I like them and really like some of them.

The meat of the pamphlet is listings of chits from eleven locations in the Zone! That itself is impressive even for someone who spent a little time in the Zone (two weeks in 1971). Here are the places listed as having chits:

Albrook A. F. B.

Camp Chorrea

Coco Solo

Dependent School Mess

Fort Amador

Fort Clayton

A.A.I.C. (Fort Davis)

Ft. Wm. D. Davis

Fort Kobbe

Fort Sherman

Margarita (VFW Post 100)

So, there is the first mini review/commentary from the floor (or dusty corner) of the black hole.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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A series of JIM was prepared for use in Russia and, possibly, what other location?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Where were the ro series of notes used for?

ANSWER:

Indochina

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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After reading Bill Roseblum's statement I had occasion to call Fred on another matter (we are trying to reconcile my Editor's expense account) and we had a short discussion about Henry Morgenthau being next in line for the Presidency for a short time - 7 days - in 1945. We were both somewhat curious about Bill's statement. Fred said he would do a little looking and what he found is below in Mail Call. Fred, admittedly, did not do a detailed search, so I decided to dig deeper. Here is what I found:

Currently, since 1947, the presidential succession starts first with the Vice President, the Speaker of the House, the President Pro tempore of the Senate, the Secretary of State, then the Secretary of the Treasury. This was not the case in 1945. Wikipedia states:

"As Secretary of the Treasury, Morgenthau was first person in the presidential line of succession from June 27 to July 3, 1945, following the resignation of Secretary of State Edward Stettinius and the U.S. Senate confirmation of James Byrnes. Had President Truman died, resigned or been removed from office otherwise during those seven days, Morgenthau would have become Acting President of the United States until the end of the presidential term in 1949."

This was so because the line of succession had no Vice President and the Secretary of State had resigned leaving the seven day gap before a new Secretary of State could be sworn in.

A little more looking revealed Truman himself was the prime motivator for the changes in the line of succession which took effect in 1947. Again from

Wikipedia:

"Two months after succeeding Franklin D. Roosevelt, President Harry S. Truman proposed that the Speaker of the House and the President pro tempore of the Senate be granted priority in the line of succession over the Cabinet so as to ensure the President would not be able to appoint his successor to the Presidency."

Without the elected position of Speaker and President pro tempore, the president could effectively appoint his own successor.

Bill was correct all along - Hey, we never doubted it. Thanks for the civics lesson.

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Dear Editor,

Our Winter Auction is now online although the images will not be
online until mid-January. The closing date of the auction is Monday
February 6th. You can view the auction at
<http://rosenblumcoins.com/42a>

We have had numerous delays in getting this sale ready to go with
various illnesses in our family including the passing of my Dad, Carl,
on the 6th of December and a brother of mine undergoing emergency
surgery 10 days later. We're hoping that is all behind us and 2012
will be a healthy one for our family and yours.

The highlights of our auction are listed at
<http://rosenblumcoins.com/42a#highlights>

Please note that our offices will be closed from December 28th until
January 10th and we will only be able to answer some specific
questions about the auction while we are away.

We will send you an email notification when the images are up on our
website.

For those of you who are on our print list we hope to mail the
catalogs on January 11, 2012

We wish you all a very healthy, happy and prosperous 2012.

Bill and Rita Rosenblum

Dear Editor,

All you bond collectors, see lot 539 in Bill Rosenblum's auction closing 6 February. I quote:

"539 United States. 1941 Henry Morgenthau signature on Treasury Department US Postal Service BEP envelope addressed to Edward Titus of the New York World-Telegram. In the album contained in this envelope is one of the first one dollar U.S. Postal Savings Stamps of the Defense Series to come off the presses of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Cordially, May 1, 1941 (his actual signature in pen). Also included in the lot is the original album or booklet with Edward Titus's name on it and one \$1 savings stamp. A "wonderful new book" by Fred Schwan, Larry Smulczewski, James Downey and Mark "Sparky" Watson entitled World War II Savings Bonds and Stamps tells the story of these little WWII collectibles. The album for the stamps is listed as A-107 and the stamp as #204. However I see no mention of the envelope which was probably sent to prominent newspaper and radio people to help publicize the effort. The album is close to as new but shows some evidence of handling, the stamp is mint but pasted into the album. The envelope shows definite signs of aging. Morgenthau's signature is being offered in various places for \$700 to \$900. As a member of Roosevelt's cabinet, he persuaded the government in efforts to rescue Jews during World War II. After Roosevelt's death, Morgenthau was actually next in the presidential line of succession to Truman from June 27 to July 3, 1945. But he didn't remain in public office. After leaving the Treasury Department in July of 1945, he spent much of the rest of his life working with Jewish philanthropies. \$200+?"

Joe Boling

[Fred sent the following to Bill Rosenblum and copied it to the Gram]

Hello Bill,

Joe forwarded the description of your lot 539 to the Gram. You and I talked about this lot a month or so ago. Am I missing something? I could not find an image of this (or any) lot in the PDF that I downloaded.

I assume that you will be at FUN. If so can you be sure to bring this lot so that I can have a look (others will want to do that too I am sure).

Thanks for the nice comment about the bond book. I am not so sure about the comment about Morgenthau and the line of succession after FDR died. I looked it up a little, but not exhaustively. I do not read any of the succession stuff indicating that Morgenthau was close in the line of succession:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_presidential_line_of_succession#Constitutional_foundation

Thanks,

Fred

Dear Editor,

Happy New Year to all!

Hey everybody please send any and all digital and other images from any and all Fests and Minifests to:

Kris Gilmore Cuneyd Tolek

at :ctolek@yahoo.com.

We are working on a Fest Yearbook or something like it.

Also, we need to verify who does and does not have a valid Fest ID. If you do NOT have one please notify us immediately.

Thanks.

Kris and Cuneyd

Dear Editor:

I will be at FUN and want to attend the banquet.

Mike Buckley

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I will have to bring my own food if the Olive Garden is picked as the restaurant!

The Master Sergeant Daniel

[I have it on very good authority the Olive Garden will not be the venue of choice - Ed.]

2012 Military Numismatists Scholarship Fund

Supporting the Military Money Seminar at the

2012 American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar

June 30th thru July 6th, 2012 (Session II)

On the Campus of the Colorado College

Colorado Springs, Colorado

United States of America

Purpose: The purpose of the Military Numismatists Scholarship Fund is to promote, strengthen and grow the military numismatics community by sponsoring individuals to participate in the Military Numismatics Seminar at the American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar. Specifically targeted are newcomers to the hobby, individuals with an established interest but new to the military numismatics community and advanced military numismatists who are expected to contribute to the content and overall success of the course.

Basic Course: It will emphasize World War II, plus all series of U.S. military payment certificates. Worldwide war-related emissions by all powers (Allied, Axis, and neutral) will be treated, including those for overrun areas and puppet governments, fighting forces, liberation governments, and post-war occupations. Paper money, bonds, coins, and medals will be covered. Conflicts since WWII will be covered lightly. The segment on MPCs will be about 30% of the course, and will cover all aspects of their production, use, and collection.

Advanced Course: For students who have completed the basic Military Numismatics Course (or have permission of the instructors) an advanced "graduate seminar" style class runs concurrently with the basic class. Advanced course students, in addition to independent study and sharing re-enactments with the basic course, will receive intensive instruction in short blocks including identifying and attributing notes and bonds that have no English on them. Students work independently on projects tailored to individual interests while still participating in the special "Fest" reenactments of the class.

Your Instructors: Joseph E. Boling and C. Frederick Schwan, co-authors "World War II Remembered, history in your hands -- a numismatic study and "World War II Military Currency."

Eligibility: Anyone having a passion for military numismatics is welcome to apply for a scholarship. The selection committee will award scholarships based on information and responses to questions in the application. Inquires and/or applications can be sent to [HYPERLINK "mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net"](mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net) ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net

Past scholarship recipients are welcome to apply again, but will automatically be considered advanced numismatists and will only be eligible for 50% of their tuition reimbursement. Further, past recipients

must clearly justify why they should be considered for another scholarship. Preference will be given to basic course, first-time applicants. No one shall be awarded more than two scholarships from this program.

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Submitting an Application: To apply for a scholarship please submit the following information to Military Numismatists Scholarship, c/o Dan or Kathy Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744, U.S.A. or HYPERLINK "mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net" ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net

Name

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Numismatic clubs which you participate in (include leadership positions held).

Significant numismatic exhibits (and awards.)

Significant numismatic articles (and awards.)

Explain your interest in military numismatics.

What do you hope to gain from attending this seminar?

Describe contributions you can make to the success of the class.

The information you provide in your application is the ONLY information the reviewers will consider in awarding applications. Scholarships will not be awarded simply because funding is available. You must submit a quality application to be seriously considered. This is a highly competitive program. Applications will be judged by an impartial committee. All decisions of the committee will be final.

Recipients are requested to volunteer for service to future scholarship programs and are expected to write at least one report of the experience for publication in a numismatic journal. Award of a scholarship includes the likelihood of publishing your name and some general background information.

Please have applications in the hands of the Freelands by February 25th, 2012. For applicants outside the US requiring invitations for visas, please coordinate your needs with the scholarship chairman early.

Making donations to the scholarship fund: Donations of numismatic items and cash are gladly accepted to support the scholarship. Items donated will be auctioned at MPC Fest 13 (May 4 thru May 6, 2012, Port Clinton, Ohio.) or on eBay. Monetary donations can be sent to:

Military Numismatists Scholarship Fund

c/o Dan or Kathy Freeland

PO Box 195

Mayville, MI 48744

U.S.A

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for
listinghere.

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WANTED

I am looking for the following Japan Occupation notes of the Philippines

P-102 1 Centavo

PA, PE, PI, PJ, PO, PP

P/AH, P/AI, P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AX, P/AU

P/BA, P/BJ, P/BK, P/BL, P/BM, P/BO, P/BP, P/BQ, P/BR, P/BS, P/B

Any P/C_

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PA, PC, PE, PK

P/AB, P/AC, P/AD, P/AH, P/AI, P/AJ, P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AQ, P/AR, P/AS,
P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

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PD, PE, PJ, PL, PM, PN, PO, PP, PQ

P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AN, P/AR, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

Any P/B_

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P-133a 1 Peso notes with prefix of C, E, F, J, K

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If you have any of these notes please contact me at rpapagno@aol.com
Thanks.

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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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57th Florida United Numismatists, Inc. (FUN) Orange County Convention
Center

Orlando, Florida

January 5-8, 2012, Free admission.

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40th New York International (NYInc)

New York, New York

Waldorf Astoria January 6-8

Dealer Set-up Jan 5th

Professional Preview \$100 Jan 5th 2:00 to 7:00 P.M.

Admission \$10 Fri to Sun

\$5 discount coupon at: <http://www.nyinc.info/>

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Multiple Auctions from Jan 1st to Jan 9th

Show information contact

Kevin Foley Email kfoley2@wi.rr.com

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Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

February 2-4

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42nd Charlotte Coin Club

Metrolina Trade Show Expo

Charlotte, NC

Feb. 10-12

Contact: Jerry Sajbel

Email jsajbel@comporium.net

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Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Sponsored by Sarasota (and Manatee) Coin Club

Mar. 2-4

Free Admission and Parking

Contact Frank Cox Email: frankcox@comcast.net

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Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

March 2-4 Show

Info Gayle Pike

Email pikegk@aol.com

Show Info: www.tsns.org

18th Chicago Paper Money Exposition (CPMX)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

March 8-11

Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

Auction Lyn Knight Currency Auctions

<http://new.lynnknight.com>

Phone (913) 338-3779

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cpmx.com

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43d Annual Show

March 11, 2012

American Legion Hall

3245 North 124th Street

Brookfield, WI

Adult Admission \$1

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78th Northwest Coin Club's

Annual Money Show

Earle Brown Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN

March 16-18

Free Parking - Free Admission

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or amerishow@gmail.com

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Reservations -1-763-560-2700

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Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

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Free Parking

Exhibits

Possible Scout Clinic

Show Info: Walter Weis

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Schaumburg, IL

Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center

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Invitation needed for PNG Day

Free Admission

Educational Programs, Coin Club Meetings

Exhibits Fran Lockwood

Email franlockwood@aol.com

Auction by Heritage Auctions

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Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Info Kevin Foley

E-mail: kfoley2@wi.rr.com

Website: www.centralstates.info

37th Chicago International Coin Fair(CICF)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

Apr 26-29 Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

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Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Phone No.(800) 573-0333

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cicfshow.com

56th Michigan State Numismatic Society Spring Convention

Hyatt Regency Dearborn Dearborn, MI

Apr 27-29

Free Parking and Admission

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email: jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info: www.michigancoinclub.org

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center

Dalton, GA. Apr 27-29

Free Parking

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Port Clinton, Ohio

May 4-6, 2012

Reservations call Holiday Inn Express

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You must call to be registered

ANA National Money Show

Colorado Convention Center

Denver, CO.

May 10-12, 2012

Admission charge to non-members

Educational Programs & Exhibits

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Phone number (719) 482-9839

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More information at

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Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

May 31-June 2

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International Paper Money Show (IPMS)

Cook Convention Center

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

Admission Charge

Educational Programs, Club Meetings & Exhibits

Possible MPC Mini-Fest

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Baltimore, MD

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Aug 7-11, 2012

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ANA National Money Shows (NMS) www.money.org

Dallas, TX Oct. 18-20, 2012

Atlanta, GA. Oct 17-19, 2013

ANA World's Fair of Money (WFOM) www.money.org

Chicago, IL 8/13-17/2013,

8/5-9/2014

8/11-15/2015

Central States Numismatic Society www.centralstates.info/

Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,

Schaumburg, IL. Apr 24-27, 2013

Apr 23-26, 2014

Apr 22-25, 2015

Apr 27-30, 2016

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Long Beach Convention Center

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Series 13, No. 2090 Thursday, January 5th, 2012

Orlando, Florida

Arriving Wednesday afternoon, I was met at the airport by David Seelye and Larry Smulczenski and we were off to the bourse to set up. It looked like it was going to be a little hectic because of the leength of the lines, but on further notice we saw the lines were arranged by the alphabet. Now the line for the letters Q - Z was empty, so we got lucky and got right in. After setting up the "Club House" I went over and with Howard Daniel helped set up the IBNS/NI table. During set u we were

visited by Neil Shafer who of course, had something in the magic brown briefcase for me. This time it was two Polish notes and a perforated specimen note from Slovakia with an overstamp.

The first thing that came my way on Thursday morning was quite unexpected. I met with a dealer from France who happened to have a 1000 Franc France back AMC series 3 note in great shape. We talked pricing and I was able to take advantage not only on a very reasonable amount but a favorable exchange rate on the euro which is how he had the note priced. Other finds of the day were a Red Cross snack bar ticket from Italy and a five cent Ship's Service Department chit from Great Lakes, IL, which is where I went through boot camp.

Throughout the day various Festers and Gramsters came along. Dave Frank, Bill Myers, Jack Lippincott, Dick Dunn and Pia and Ray Bows visited the table. On the floor we met Dave Hunsicker, Bill Haines, Mike Buckley and later on Fred arrived.

Two more interesting items were discovered. The first was a hell note brought back from Viet Nam by Howard Daniel. It took the form of a US hundred dollar bill and the most curious part about the note was the serial number - HT39393939 and the block number of T39. Howard said he did not know who made the pack or selected the serial number and didn't even notice what it was until we all took a closer look at the note.

Needless to say Ski was very happy.

Dave Frank showed us a pair of meal tickets from the St. Thomas Internment Camp, located in the Philippines, from March and May 1942. Both were in the name of Florence Jeavers. There is a story behind these that Dave started to tell. He promises to write it up for the Gram.

to be continued.....

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These notes were prepared in Japan, mainly in Specimen format, although a few individual issues are known, for the possible Japanese Invasion of Siberia (USSR) and Sakhalin Island.

Regards to all
Brent Arthurson

ANSWER:

Sakhalin Island
Myers

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EDITORIAL

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How many of us have had exhibits at shows? I have done three and more are planned. There are rules for exhibiting and certain things that should be done. One of the educational programs offered at FUN is a course on becoming certified as an ANA judge. The course is given by ANA Chief Judge Joe Boling and in addition to providing an education on how to

judge numismatic exhibits, it is a class on how to make your own exhibits better. I took the classroom portion of the course and now have to practice and try my hand at judging the exhibits here at the show. My area is paper money which should come as no surprise. So tomorrow I've got five exhibits to practice on. We'll see how it goes.

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2012 Military Numismatists Scholarship Fund

Supporting the Military Money Seminar at the

2012 American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar

June 30th thru July 6th, 2012 (Session II)

On the Campus of the Colorado College

Colorado Springs, Colorado

United States of America

Purpose: The purpose of the Military Numismatists Scholarship Fund is to promote, strengthen and grow the military numismatics community by sponsoring individuals to participate in the Military Numismatics Seminar

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Basic Course: It will emphasize World War II, plus all series of U.S. military payment certificates. Worldwide war-related emissions by all powers (Allied, Axis, and neutral) will be treated, including those for overrun areas and puppet governments, fighting forces, liberation governments, and post-war occupations. Paper money, bonds, coins, and medals will be covered. Conflicts since WWII will be covered lightly. The segment on MPCs will be about 30% of the course, and will cover all aspects of their production, use, and collection.

Advanced Course: For students who have completed the basic Military Numismatics Course (or have permission of the instructors) an advanced "graduate seminar" style class runs concurrently with the basic class. Advanced course students, in addition to independent study and sharing re-enactments with the basic course, will receive intensive instruction in short blocks including identifying and attributing notes and bonds that have no English on them. Students work independently on projects tailored to individual interests while still participating in the special "Fest" reenactments of the class.

Your Instructors: Joseph E. Boling and C. Frederick Schwan, co-authors "World War II Remembered, history in your hands -- a numismatic study and "World War II Military Currency."

Eligibility: Anyone having a passion for military numismatics is welcome to apply for a scholarship. The selection committee will award scholarships based on information and responses to questions in the application. Inquires and/or applications can be sent to [HYPERLINK "mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net"](mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net) ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net

Past scholarship recipients are welcome to apply again, but will automatically be considered advanced numismatists and will only be eligible for 50% of their tuition reimbursement. Further, past recipients must clearly justify why they should be considered for another scholarship. Preference will be given to basic course, first-time applicants. No one shall be awarded more than two scholarships from this program.

Costs Covered: The award of a scholarship carries a maximum value of \$948 (USD.) \$948 (you must register by March 30 or you will pay an additional \$50) covers tuition which includes the class, a room in Loomis Dormitory (double occupancy) for six nights (Saturday to Friday), all of your meals and free airport shuttles, picking up and returning Seminar students to

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Submitting an Application: To apply for a scholarship please submit the following information to Military Numismatists Scholarship, c/o Dan or Kathy Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744, U.S.A. or HYPERLINK "mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net" ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net

Name

Address

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Numismatic clubs which you participate in (include leadership positions held).

Significant numismatic exhibits (and awards.)

Significant numismatic articles (and awards.)

Explain your interest in military numismatics.

What do you hope to gain from attending this seminar?

Describe contributions you can make to the success of the class.

The information you provide in your application is the ONLY information the reviewers will consider in awarding applications. Scholarships will not be awarded simply because funding is available. You must submit a quality application to be seriously considered. This is a highly competitive program. Applications will be judged by an impartial committee. All decisions of the committee will be final.

Recipients are requested to volunteer for service to future scholarship programs and are expected to write at least one report of the experience for publication in a numismatic journal. Award of a scholarship includes the likelihood of publishing your name and some general background information.

Please have applications in the hands of the Freelands by February 25th, 2012. For applicants outside the US requiring invitations for visas, please coordinate your needs with the scholarship chairman early.

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Military Numismatists Scholarship Fund

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PO Box 195

Mayville, MI 48744

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WANTED SECTION:

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WANTED

I am looking for the following Japan Occupation notes of the Philippines

P-102 1 Centavo

PA, PE, PI, PJ, PO, PP

P/AH, P/AI, P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AX, P/AU

P/BA, P/BJ, P/BK, P/BL, P/BM, P/BO, P/BP, P/BQ, P/BR, P/BS, P/B

Any P/C_

P-103 5 Centavos

PA, PC, PE, PK

P/AB, P/AC, P/AD, P/AH, P/AI, P/AJ, P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AQ, P/AR, P/AS,
P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

P-104 10 Centavos

PD, PE, PJ, PL, PM, PN, PO, PP, PQ

P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AN, P/AR, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

Any P/B_

P-106 1 Peso PA, PB, PC, PD, PE, PG These in high grade only

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P-133a 1 Peso notes with prefix of C, E, F, J, K

P-136a English Series 10 Peso note with signature group 1

If you have any of these notes please contact me at rpapagno@aol.com
Thanks.

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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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SHOW CALENDAR - 2011 - 2012

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57th Florida United Numismatists, Inc. (FUN) Orange County Convention
Center

Orlando, Florida

January 5-8, 2012, Free admission.

Exhibits, Educational Programs YN activities

IBNS Meeting and Mini-fest - Saturday Jan 7th

Auction by: Heritage Auctions,

<http://www.ha.com>

Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Info: Cindy Wibker

Email cwibker@aol.com

Show info: www.funtopics.com

Exhibit Info: Fran Lockwood

Email FranLockwood@aol.com

40th New York International (NYInc)

New York, New York

Waldorf Astoria January 6-8

Dealer Set-up Jan 5th

Professional Preview \$100 Jan 5th 2:00 to 7:00 P.M.

Admission \$10 Fri to Sun

\$5 discount coupon at: <http://www.nyinc.info/>

Multiple Educational Programs and Coin Club Meetings

Multiple Auctions from Jan 1st to Jan 9th

Show information contact

Kevin Foley Email kfoley2@wi.rr.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

February 2-4

Admission charge discount coupon available at their site

Educational Programs

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<http://www.HA.com>

Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Contact Taryn Warrecker

Email twarrecker@collectors.com

or visit their web pages at

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and <http://exposunlimited.com/>

42nd Charlotte Coin Club

Metrolina Trade Show Expo

Charlotte, NC

Feb. 10-12

Contact: Jerry Sajbel

Email jsajbel@comporium.net

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale

Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Sponsored by Sarasota (and Manatee) Coin Club

Mar. 2-4

Free Admission and Parking

Contact Frank Cox Email: frankcox@comcast.net

Tennessee State Spring Coin Show

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

March 2-4 Show

Info Gayle Pike

Email pikegk@aol.com

Show Info: www.tsns.org

18th Chicago Paper Money Exposition (CPMX)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

March 8-11

Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

Auction Lyn Knight Currency Auctions

<http://new.lynnknight.com>

Phone (913) 338-3779

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cpmx.com

Waukesha Coin Club

43d Annual Show

March 11, 2012

American Legion Hall

3245 North 124th Street

Brookfield, WI

Adult Admission \$1

More information at <http://waukeshacoinclub.com>

78th Northwest Coin Club's

Annual Money Show

Earle Brown Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN

March 16-18

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Contact - Lee Quast - 314-276-1162

or amerishow@gmail.com

On premises Hotel - Embassy Suites

Reservations -1-763-560-2700

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

March 22-25 Free Admission

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN Activities Auction by Stacks Bowers Galleries

<http://www.stacksbowers.com>

or Email info@stacksbowers.com

or phone (800) 566-2580

Contact David Crenshaw

info@whitmanexpo.com

or Lori Hamrick

lori.hamrick@whitmanbooks.com

or call either at: (404) 214-4373

Show information

<http://whitmanexpo.com>

48th South Shore Coin Club Show

Wyndham Hotel, Milwaukee, WI March 29-31

Free Parking

Exhibits

Possible Scout Clinic

Show Info: Walter Weis

Phone No. (414) 384-7966

73rd Annual Central States Numismatics Society Show (CSNS)

Schaumburg, IL

Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center

April 18 (PNG Day) 19 - 21, 2012

Invitation needed for PNG Day

Free Admission

Educational Programs, Coin Club Meetings

Exhibits Fran Lockwood

Email franlockwood@aol.com

Auction by Heritage Auctions

<http://www.HA.com>

Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Info Kevin Foley

E-mail: kfoley2@wi.rr.com

Website: www.centralstates.info

37th Chicago International Coin Fair(CICF)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

Apr 26-29 Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

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<http://www.HA.com>

Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Phone No.(800) 573-0333

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cicfshow.com

56th Michigan State Numismatic Society Spring Convention

Hyatt Regency Dearborn Dearborn, MI

Apr 27-29

Free Parking and Admission

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email: jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info: www.michigancoinclub.org

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show
Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center
Dalton, GA. Apr 27-29
Free Parking
Show Contact: Tom Youngblood
Email: tom.youngblood@comcast.net
Show Info: www.gamoney.org

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Port Clinton, Ohio
May 4-6, 2012
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ANA National Money Show
Colorado Convention Center
Denver, CO.
May 10-12, 2012
Admission charge to non-members
Educational Programs & Exhibits
Show information contact
Rhonda Scurek
scurek@money.org
Phone number (719) 482-9839
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More information at
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Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

May 31-June 2

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International Paper Money Show (IPMS)

Cook Convention Center

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

Admission Charge

Educational Programs, Club Meetings & Exhibits

Possible MPC Mini-Fest

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions (US and Foreign Notes)

Auction Site: <http://newlynknight.com>

Show Info: Contact Lyn Knight Email lyn@lynknight.com or

Doug Davis Email: doug@numismaticcrimes.org

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo (40th Year)

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

June 28-July1 Free Admission

Educational Programs and Exhibits

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Show information

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ANA Worlds Fair of Money Convention (WFOM)

Pennsylvania Convention Center

Philadelphia, PA.

Aug 7-11, 2012

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Chicago, IL 8/13-17/2013,

8/5-9/2014

8/11-15/2015

Central States Numismatic Society www.centralstates.info/

Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,

Schaumburg, IL. Apr 24-27, 2013

Apr 23-26, 2014

Apr 22-25, 2015

Apr 27-30, 2016

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Venice, Florida

FUN Show Report:

Conclusion,

by Roger Urce

Friday saw an interesting find, a five dollar Canadian note brought by Dick Dunn which bore serial number 0000039 (in two places no less) which made Larry Ski very

happy.

Friday is also the night where we hold our annual Fest Banquet. I think this is the third, possibly the fourth year. After reveiwing possible establishments, the Bahama Breeze was selected because of its menu and convienence. There were twenty-two attendees and each was required to have a meal ticket. This year's issue was a card on buff paper which read "ADMIT ONE / 2012 ANNUAL FEST BANQUET / FUN SHOW / ORLANDO, FLORIDA / Not Valid Without Date Stamp on Back". The notes bore random serial numbers and were date stamped "6 JANUARY" on the back. A total of forty were printed to include two replacement notes, *10 and *65, and one specimen with three zeros as the serial number. The note bearing serial number 007 was retained for archival purposes. The replacements were issued. and the specimen will be in the Fest Auction. Un issued pieces may become available in the future.

The bourse was quite busy on Saturday and getting around to some of the dealers took a little effort. I heard a lotmore positive comments as opposed to negative onesregarding sales. For my own part, I was quite sucessful in locating items for an upcoming presentation/exhibit in Memphis. More on that in June.

The IBNS meeting started at 1100 and featrured presentation by Joe Bolington offical counterfeiting which was well received by those in attendance.We even managed to sign up a new member.The Minifest followed immediately. Most of the twenty plus who attended had a show-and-tell item. Larry expanded on and showed off his Christmas present that has been featured in recent Grams; Dave Frank had some new and interesting POW items; Joe Boling showed a short-snorter from a WW II B29 bomb crew. We also saw an irriadated Mercury dime and a few other interesting items which I would urge the presenters to write inabout. There was a short presentation on Culion Leper Colony Guerrilla Money and we signed up a couple of new Gramsters.

The meeting concluded with a pay call consisting of a \$50 Series 091 Fest Certificate with a special stamp. The stamp read: "FLORIDA UNITED NUMISMATIST / JANUARY SEVENTH, 2012 / U.S. ARMY AIR FORCES / ORLANDO AIR BASE / ORLANDO, FLORIDA /MPC MINIFEST" and bore an eight digit serial number (F*****F). In the center of the stamp was a vignette of an aircraft propeller with wings on each side.

Exhibit Awards:

At the 2012 FUN show Brett Irick won 3rd place for National Banks of Mount Gilead, Ohio and 2nd place for Canadian Coins of 1497-1948. Bill Myers won 3rd place for Mexican Coins Minted in the Untied States.

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Brent Arthurson

ANSWER:

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Myers

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EDITORIAL

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FUN is the first show of the year. To me, and I suspect to many of our readers, it is a delayed Christmas gift. It seems to be getting larger each year, or perhaps that's just my own perception because I look forward to coming. Like the ANA, there are quite a few coin dealers and those who trade only in US notes, but I world currency dealers were well represented with a nice variety of notes for sale.

I purposely did not mention all of the show-and-tell items at the Minifest to encourage those who were there to write in with a short - a few lines to describe what they had - letter or feature. I would also encourage those whose treasures were mentioned to comment.

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Dear Editor,
What is the link to view back issues of the Gram? I didn't see it listed in the Gram.
Ken Berger

[Dear Ken, Go to the website, www.papermoneyworld.net, for back issues - Ed]

Dear Editor,
I still have not found any info on that Brunswick Balke Collender pooltable check issued by the Co. D 16th. Good for 5 cents in Trade.
Peter McDonald
[Can any of our readers help?]

Dear Editor,
I just received my Jan/Feb. copy of the SPMC Journal and it has a story in it about the POW Camp Camp Blanding. It is a nice article and mentions

a few "Festers" .It also has pictures of the chits andan unlisted chit
that
the writer saw in the Museum.
Brian Giese

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2012 Military Numismatists Scholarship Fund

Supporting the Military Money Seminar at the

2012 American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar

June 30th thru July 6th, 2012 (Session II)

On the Campus of the Colorado College

Colorado Springs, Colorado

United States of America

Purpose: The purpose of the Military Numismatists Scholarship Fund is to promote, strengthen and grow the military numismatics community by sponsoring individuals to participate in the Military Numismatics Seminar at the American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar. Specifically targeted are newcomers to the hobby, individuals with an established interest but new to the military numismatics community and advanced military numismatists who are expected to contribute to the content and overall success of the course.

Basic Course: It will emphasize World War II, plus all series of U.S. military payment certificates. Worldwide war-related emissions by all powers (Allied, Axis, and neutral) will be treated, including those for overrun areas and puppet governments, fighting forces, liberation governments, and post- war occupations. Paper money, bonds, coins, and medals will be covered. Conflicts since WWII will be covered lightly. The segment on MPCs will be about 30% of the course, and will cover all aspects of their production, use, and collection.

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Past scholarship recipients are welcome to apply again, but will automatically be considered advanced numismatists and will only be eligible for 50% of their tuition reimbursement. Further, past recipients must clearly justify why they should be considered for another scholarship. Preference will be given to basic course, first-time applicants. No one shall be awarded more than two scholarships from this program.

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Submitting an Application: To apply for a scholarship please submit the following information to Military Numismatists Scholarship, c/o Dan or Kathy Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744, U.S.A. or [HYPERLINK "mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net"](mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net) ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net

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Numismatic clubs which you participate in (include leadership positions held).

Significant numismatic exhibits (and awards.)

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Explain your interest in military numismatics.

What do you hope to gain from attending this seminar?

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42nd Charlotte Coin Club

Metrolina Trade Show Expo

Charlotte, NC

Feb. 10-12

Contact: Jerry Sajbel

Email jsajbel@comporium.net

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Mar. 2-4

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March 2-4 Show

Info Gayle Pike

Email pikegk@aol.com

Show Info: www.tsns.org

18th Chicago Paper Money Exposition (CPMX)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

March 8-11

Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

Auction Lyn Knight Currency Auctions

<http://new.lynknight.com>

Phone (913) 338-3779

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

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43d Annual Show

March 11, 2012

American Legion Hall

3245 North 124th Street

Brookfield, WI

Adult Admission \$1

More information at <http://waukeshacoinclub.com>

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Annual Money Show

Earle Brown Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN

March 16-18

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Contact - Lee Quast - 314-276-1162

or amerishow@gmail.com

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Reservations -1-763-560-2700

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Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

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Contact David Crenshaw

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Exhibits

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Schaumburg, IL

Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center

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Invitation needed for PNG Day

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Exhibits Fran Lockwood

Email franlockwood@aol.com

Auction by Heritage Auctions

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Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Info Kevin Foley

E-mail: kfoley2@wi.rr.com

Website: www.centralstates.info

37th Chicago International Coin Fair(CICF)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

Apr 26-29 Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

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Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

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Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

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56th Michigan State Numismatic Society Spring Convention

Hyatt Regency Dearborn Dearborn, MI

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Free Parking and Admission

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email: jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info: www.michigancoinclub.org

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Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center

Dalton, GA. Apr 27-29

Free Parking

Show Contact: Tom Youngblood

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Colorado Convention Center

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May 10-12, 2012

Admission charge to non-members

Educational Programs & Exhibits

Show information contact

Rhonda Scurek

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Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

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Educational Programs

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International Paper Money Show (IPMS)

Cook Convention Center

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June 7 (set-up) 8-10

Admission Charge

Educational Programs, Club Meetings & Exhibits

Possible MPC Mini-Fest

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Pennsylvania Convention Center

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Long Beach, CA

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ANA National Money Shows (NMS) www.money.org

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8/5-9/2014

8/11-15/2015

Central States Numismatic Society www.centralstates.info/

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Schaumburg, IL. Apr 24-27, 2013

Apr 23-26, 2014

Apr 22-25, 2015

Apr 27-30, 2016

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Series 13, No. 2092 Friday, January 13th, 2012

Venice, Florida

Co. D 16th - Brunswick Balke Collender Co Tokens,

by Ray Bows
M/Sgt USA (ret.)

Peter McDonald asked a question about Co. D 16th - Brunswick Balke Collender Co tokens - These were billard table tokens used in the 16th Infantry's regimental exchange specifically for Company D. FYI, If this had been issued by the 16th Cavalry Regiment, the token would have been marked "Troop" verses "Company". The BBC reverse which it appears to be, by the words you mentioned, were generally issued between 1884 and 1914 - but may have been used after the latter date. This of course was a regimental exchange piece verses a Post Exchange token - Regimental Exchanges were mobile rather than static exchanges. While Post Exchanges catered to the needs of the post - milk, butter, brooms, dress uniforms and shaving brushes, the Regimental Exchanges were for the needs of the individual soldier - rifle cleaning kits, linseed oil and sewing kits for the infantry regimental exchange, or saddle soap and horse blankets for a cavalry regimental exchange, which were operated with sundry funds for the specific needs of the soldiers of that type of unit - to include recreation i.e billiard games and postage stamps.

Without going into the entire lineage of the 16th Infantry which one can find on line. The 16th was overseas duty during the Spanish American War (Santiago, Cuba as well as the Philippines) and then while stationed on the US/Mexican border chased Pancho Villa into Mexico with General "Black Jack" Pershing - the regiment later went to France with the 1st Infantry Division during WWI (although these tokens didn't go with the unit overseas any more than their billard table did). During the time frame that this token was issued and used, Company D may have been farmed out to one of many posts in the west and southwest even the post of "Fort Podunk, Who-Knows-Where" I say this tongue-in-cheek because it should be understood that lineage of individual companies is obscure and there are few records on exactly where they were stationed as such - There seems to be only records of specific regiments - and many companies weren't at one place for any length of time.

Because many collectors collect tokens by state, most token collectors think of tokens as to location they were used - which should not be the case with many military tokens actually known as "Pontoon Checks" in their day - specifically mobile regimental exchange tokens - used one time here and one time there - (but of course to grasp such a concept collectors have to think outside the box.) Its like trying to pin down to a location the tokens marked PX SECTION 1/2 MK and MESS SECTION/ GI which were used all over Germany on military troop trains at the end of World War II - many of which were never redeemed before soldiers got off at their stops, and which can still be found at shows for not too very much money.

I hope this helps. If you have any further questions e-mail me at namlore@hotmail.com - I've been collecting metal military tokens for 49

years, and I am always a buyer of all brass, aluminum and nickel military tokens common to scarce - old and new. - and I don't mind answering any questions about metal military tokens that come my way.

In Brotherhood,

Ray Bows
M/Sgt USA (ret.)

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FUN Show Report,

by Bill Myers

I enjoyed my time at FUN. I was able to catch up with festers and other numismatists I knew when I lived in FL & GA. I was able to go through alot of coins to find the ones I wanted. I am at the point in collecting World War II coins that there is a reason there are still coins on my want list. They are either rare and expensive or common and cheap. The latter are usually not worth the dealers time to attribute and bring to a show. I found a variety of a coin from Brazil that I have been searching for for a year or so and acquired it for the outrageous sum of 25 cents. Yes, coins from Brazil have WWII ties, but that is for another discussion. The IBNS meeting and Mini-Fest were highlights of FUN. Joe covered part of his counterfeit lecture, which was interesting as usual, and Roger talked about Culion guerrilla notes, also interesting. There was pay at the end of the fest with a prior issue of MFC validated with a stamp, which has been described in the gram. For show and tell I showed a short snorter I had. It was composed of NEI JIM from 1 cent to 1 gulden. All but the one gulden note had the signature of Brinley Evans with the date of August 11, 1944. What was unusual about the short snorter is that is was in a vertical, not horizontal, format and was held together with brown tape. The FUN fest banquet was well-attended and was a good time for all. It is a must for any fester at FUN. I stayed through Sunday and even though many dealers were gone or packing up I still managed to make some last minute purchases. One was a NCO EM 25 cents token from Hickam AFB that has an error on it in that under the crest has " PACIPIC AIR FORCES BASE COMMAND". The other is a 1940 Lincoln cent with a large V impressed into it. There is solder on the reverse so it may have been a pin at one time. It was labeled as a " WW 2 Victory" I have not seen one before. Myers

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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As per our usual policy, we will hold off on Gram questions until we get back home

next weekend. In the meantime, if you come up with some questions please feel free to send them in.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION

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EDITORIAL

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We usually spend a week on R&R in Florida after the FUN show. As you can see this year we opted for Venice. It has been quite pleasant and we did discover some World War II history. The current Venice airport is the site of a training facility set up in 1942 to train pilots. We discovered this on a walk when we encountered a replica of the original front gate. There are plaques which describe a short history and there are replicas of the shoulder insignia worn by those stationed here. The base was taken down after the war and the site deeded over to the city of Venice. A little research on Google provided a lot of interesting information. I also checked on eBay to see if there were any chits or tokens associated with the base, but found none. I would think there were some issues and I will ask our chit experts for some input here.

Ed Johnson's letter below was forwarded to us by Fred and provides readers with another opportunity to answer questions and provide some input. Ed's email has been added to our subscription list, so any responses sent to the Gram will be available to him. I should also comment here how impressed I was with Ray Bows' answer to Peter McDonald's query.

As for Warner's questions, our Fun paymaster, Col Bill Myers, has charge of any unissued examples of the Minifest notes and has yet to make a determination as to their disposition. Perhaps he can advise our readers of his intentions. As for the meal tickets, examples available for a small donation to the Scholarship Fund which can be made directly to the Freelands. Their address is below. Anyone interested can send their requests to me via the Gram. Please don't forget to provide a mailing address.

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Dear Editor,

I have recently become interested in collecting MPC. I have purchased your 4th Edition Catalog of MPC and have enjoyed reading it. At a Flea Market, I came across some MPC series 100 and bought 10 pieces. The pieces have a large " B " on them. As I understand, from your catalog on page 15, types A & B were available when first issued, then all type B was exchanged, 1 for 1, for type A and type A was the only type to circulate in the Pacific Theatre. The pricing table in your catalog, as I read it on page 192 for series 100 is for type A, Type B is not listed. Question, Can the pricing table be used for both types A & B ? If not , do you have any suggestions as to where I could find type B prices. One other thing before I close, the unique Cataloging number system is great and accepted by every MPC collector I have talked with. Thank you in advance for any and all assistance.

Ed Johnson

Dear Editor,

For those of you who like trench art:

Wartime creativity on display

<http://www.journalgazette.net/article/20120112/LOCAL/301129960>

Don Wilkinson

Dear Editor,

According to the two references cited below, there were two issues at FUN. How might I obtain a copy of each?

This year's issue was a card on buff paper which read "ADMIT ONE / 2012 ANNUAL FEST BANQUET / FUN SHOW / ORLANDO, FLORIDA / Not Valid Without Date Stamp on Back". The notes bore random serial numbers and were date stamped "6 JANUARY" on the back. A total of forty were printed to include two replacement notes, *10 and *65, and one specimen with three zeros as the serial number. The note bearing serial number 007 was retained for archival purposes. The replacements were issued. and the specimen will be in the Fest Auction. Un issued pieces may become available in the future.

The meeting concluded with a pay call consisting of a \$50 Series 091 Fest Certificate with a special stamp. The stamp read: "FLORIDA UNITED NUMISMATIST / JANUARY SEVENTH, 2012 / U.S. ARMY AIR FORCES / ORLANDO AIR BASE / ORLANDO, FLORIDA / MPC MINIFEST" and bore an eight digit serial number (F*****F). In the center of the stamp was a vignette of an aircraft propeller with wings on each side.

Warner Talso

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1. Large 18 mm line shaded red star above verticle 4 character panel, slight tropical staining \$5.00

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Colin R. Bruce II, P.O. box 106, Iola, WI 54945

kandybruce@hotmail.com

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I am looking for the following Japan Occupation notes of the Philippines

P-102 1 Centavo

PA, PE, PI, PJ, PO, PP

P/AH, P/AI, P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AX, P/AU

P/BA, P/BJ, P/BK, P/BL, P/BM, P/BO, P/BP, P/BQ, P/BR, P/BS, P/B

Any P/C_

P-103 5 Centavos

PA, PC, PE, PK

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P-104 10 Centavos

PD, PE, PJ, PL, PM, PN, PO, PP, PQ

P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AN, P/AR, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

Any P/B_

P-106 1 Peso PA, PB, PC, PD, PE, PG These in high grade only

P-107 5 Peso PA, PE

P-133a 1 Peso notes with prefix of C, E, F, J, K

P-136a English Series 10 Peso note with signature group 1

If you have any of these notes please contact me at rpapagno@aol.com
Thanks.

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42nd Charlotte Coin Club
Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Charlotte, NC

Feb. 10-12

Contact: Jerry Sajbel

Email jsajbel@comporium.net

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale

Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Sponsored by Sarasota (and Manatee) Coin Club

Mar. 2-4

Free Admission and Parking

Contact Frank Cox Email: frankcox@comcast.net

Tennessee State Spring Coin Show

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

March 2-4 Show

Info Gayle Pike

Email pikegk@aol.com

Show Info: www.tsns.org

18th Chicago Paper Money Exposition (CPMX)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

March 8-11

Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

Auction Lyn Knight Currency Auctions

<http://new.lynknight.com>

Phone (913) 338-3779

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cpmx.com

Waukesha Coin Club

43d Annual Show

March 11, 2012

American Legion Hall

3245 North 124th Street

Brookfield, WI

Adult Admission \$1

More information at <http://waukeshacoinclub.com>

78th Northwest Coin Club's

Annual Money Show

Earle Brown Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN

March 16-18

Free Parking - Free Admission

Contact - Lee Quast - 314-276-1162

or amerishow@gmail.com

On premises Hotel - Embassy Suites

Reservations -1-763-560-2700

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Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

March 22-25 Free Admission

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Contact David Crenshaw

info@whitmanexpo.com

or Lori Hamrick

lori.hamrick@whitmanbooks.com

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Show information

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48th South Shore Coin Club Show

Wyndham Hotel, Milwaukee, WI March 29-31

Free Parking

Exhibits

Possible Scout Clinic

Show Info: Walter Weis

Phone No. (414) 384-7966

73rd Annual Central States Numismatics Society Show (CSNS)

Schaumburg, IL

Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center

April 18 (PNG Day) 19 - 21, 2012

Invitation needed for PNG Day

Free Admission

Educational Programs, Coin Club Meetings

Exhibits Fran Lockwood

Email franlockwood@aol.com

Auction by Heritage Auctions

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Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Info Kevin Foley

E-mail: kfoley2@wi.rr.com

Website: www.centralstates.info

37th Chicago International Coin Fair(CICF)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

Apr 26-29 Admission Charge

Educational Programs

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Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Phone No. (800) 573-0333

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cicfshow.com

56th Michigan State Numismatic Society Spring Convention

Hyatt Regency Dearborn Dearborn, MI

Apr 27-29

Free Parking and Admission

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email: jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info: www.michigancoinclub.org

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center

Dalton, GA. Apr 27-29

Free Parking

Show Contact: Tom Youngblood

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Show Info: www.gamoney.org

MPCFest XIII

Port Clinton, Ohio

May 4-6, 2012

Reservations call Holiday Inn Express

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ANA National Money Show

Colorado Convention Center

Denver, CO.

May 10-12, 2012

Admission charge to non-members

Educational Programs & Exhibits

Show information contact

Rhonda Scurek

scurek@money.org

Phone number (719) 482-9839

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Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

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International Paper Money Show (IPMS)

Cook Convention Center

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

Admission Charge

Educational Programs, Club Meetings & Exhibits

Possible MPC Mini-Fest

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions (US and Foreign Notes)

Auction Site: <http://newlynknight.com>

Show Info: Contact Lyn Knight Email lyn@lynknight.com or

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Pennsylvania Convention Center

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8/5-9/2014

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Kerguelen Note and World War II,

by Bill Myers

Kathy recently obtained a 2010 polymer 100 francs note from Kerguelen Islands because she liked the picture of the cat on the back. In addition to the cat, the note has a scene of Port-aux-Franais, a rocky shore scene and a portrait of Yves-Joseph de Kerguelen de Trmarec. Needless to say we were curious where the Kerguelen Islands are and why these things are featured on the note.

The Kerguelen Islands were discovered by the French navigator Yves-Joseph de Kerguelen de Trmarec on 12 February 1772 and claimed for France. Thus he was featured on the note. Kerguelen is located in the southern Indian Ocean near Antarctica. After their discovery, the islands were visited by whalers and sealers who nearly decimated the populations of these animals. Since 1950 it has been home to 50-100 scientists and a satellite and rocket tracking station and is now part of the French Southern and Antarctic Lands. Since I have covered the background, I can answer the question that is in all your minds as to why I am putting this in the gram. We did find a World War II connection to the Islands. The German cruiser Atlantis stopped at the islands in December 1940 to perform maintenance and replenish their water supplies. During this stay the ship suffered its first war fatality when sailor Bernhard Herrmann fell to his death while painting the funnel. He is buried on the islands in what is sometimes referred to as "the most southerly German war grave" of World War II. The Atlantis sank or captured 22 ships and was second only to the Pinguin in tonnage destroyed and had the longest raiding career of any German commerce raider in either world war (602 days). It was sunk on 21 November 1941 by the HMS Devonshire with 8-inch shells, which caused the ammunition on the ship to explode. So although the connection to World War II is tenuous, by researching the note I learned something new about World War II.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What World War II issues do we know of for Mongolia?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

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EDITORIAL

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In making the presentation on Culion Leper Colony notes I used the book The Numismatic Aspects of Leprosy - Money, Medals and Miscellanea by Roger McFadden, John Grost and Dennis F, Marr as one of the references. In addition to the notes listed and detailed in the section on the Philippine Islands there is discussion and images of coins specifically minted for use in the colony. The coins, dated between 1913 and 1927

were used during their dates of issue, and supplies were reissued just after the Japanese invaded the islands and supplies, including currency, were not forthcoming from Manila. Now in a conversation with Bill Myers he asked if these coins should be part of Remembered as they were used as part of an emergency monetary shortage as a result of the war. A good question and one that can be asked of a number of coinage issues. Remembered (pages 812 through 818) lists "The coins of World War II" and under the Philippines lists 1, 5, 10, 20 and 50 centavo coins dated 1944-45 are listed as shortage and political issues. It would seem possible that the Culion Leper coins could fit into the shortage category, but the question remains which series of the originally issued coins were used as part of the war shortage.

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Dear Editor,

There was mention of an airport at Venice. Is this not one of the small airports at which the 911 terrorists trained?

Note we had a booth at the F.U.N. show and sold a "slug" of military tokens!

Paul Cunningham

Dear Editor,

Wanted

Military Club paper scrip/chits from any of the military clubs on Okinawa from 1945 to 1972, nothing after 1972. donn@rememberingokinawa.com

Thanks,

Donn Cuson

Dear Editor.

Holly Chit!! Somebody wants to know something about those little paper tickets. Unfortunately, there is nothing in the Texas collection from Venice. However Venice Army Air Field did house a branch camp of Camp Blanding with 201 POW's who reportedly worked at the field between February and December of 1945.

A Texas Chithead.

Dear Editor,

I have read with interest in the Gram that collectors are looking for War Bond ads. The attachment is of a War Bond Cover for Life Magazine, though the actual War Bond depiction part of the cover is small. There are a couple of full page war bond ads in the magazine and I see another full page ration ad that is concerned with asking retailers, "Is this the ceiling price?"

Frank Clark

[The issue of Life Magazine Frank refers to is July 3rd, 1944. You can find a photo of the cover on the net and look to the website for the images he sent with the letter - E.]

Dear Editor,

There will be 3 sets of Minifest notes for auction at Fest XIII. It includes the note for the field trip at Fest XII, ANA Chicago Minifest, Dinner with Helen Rappaport at the ANA (Autographed) and FUN Minifest 2012. There are a limited number of 2012 FUN Minifest notes that have yet to be destroyed and are available for a donation to the scholarship fund. I can be contacted at atwjmhands@pol.net.

Bill Myers

Dear Editor,

Happy New Year to all.

Finally the images have been added to our website for our auction 42A.

They can be seen at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/42a>

The auction ends February 6th, 2012 which is only 3 weeks from today.

We urge you to look at the lots on our website and if you have any questions please ask them as soon as you can, rather than wait until the last day. Those of you who receive hard copy catalogs please note that the catalogs were put in the mail on Friday although most of the overseas catalogs were mailed on Wednesday.

We've listed the highlights below but I wanted to make special mention of Lot 539 for our "Gramster" friends. It is one of the first US Postal Savings Stamps issued in 1941, which was sent to a newspaper reporter in NY in the hope that he would not only help by buying stamps but also by publicizing the effort. The appeal was personally signed by Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau.

Best

Bill Rosenblum

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Show Contact: Scott Tappa

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Jeavons Family Journey

By Dave Frank

At the FUN show a few weeks ago I showed a pair of Santo Tomas Internment camp monthly meal ration cards. Santo Tomas is a University in Manila that was turned into an internment camp by the Japanese for allied civilians that were stranded in the Philippines after the invasion. The 2 ration cards were part of a four lot set that originally belonged to the Jeavons family. The ration cards also came with some family photos and a letter. There was another ration card in another of the lots as well as more papers, photos, and letters. I was contacted by the buyer of the other three lots who pieced together the story of this family and how they got to Manila and how they were able to leave. So as our editor said I promised a story about the cards and here it is courtesy of Karl Vines of the UK.

There were 3 members of the Jeavons family in Santo Tomas Internment Camp, Florence Jeavons, British, age 49 (whose ration cards you have), Patricia May Jeavons, British, age 17 (whose ration card I have, amongst other things), and Walter Ronald Jeavons, British, age 15. I am assuming these are mother and two children, and that the father remained in Shanghai.

The family were residents of Shanghai prior to Japanese occupation and I would suspect Florence and the two children left on an evacuation ship, most likely for India, just before Japan entered the war. They called in at Hong Kong, and then somehow ended up being diverted to Manila, most likely when Japan entered the war, where they remained trapped and subsequently entered Santo Tomas internment camp.

Some Shanghai residents were allowed out of Santo Tomas to return to Shanghai, and Patricia Jeavons (and I assume the rest of the family) returned to Shanghai sometime between April and July 1942. They went from Manila to Takao port (now Kaohsiung, Taiwan) then to another port (looks like Woosang? but not sure) and then to Shanghai.

From there Patricia Jeavons (and again I assume the rest of the family including possibly her father) were part of the prisoner exchange programme and left Shanghai on either the Tatsuta Maru or Kamakuru Maru, via Singapore, to Lourenco Marques in Mozambique. The Tatsuta departed

Shanghai 5 August 1942 and arrived Lourenco Marques 27 August 1942, the Kamakuru departed Shanghai 17 August 1942 and arrived Lourenco Marques 8 September 1942. There they were exchanged for Japanese prisoners, and left Lourenco Marques on 13 September 1942 on the SS Narkunda which took them to Liverpool, England (there were approx 875 ex-internees on board).

After the war Patricia Jeavons was living in Gibraltar.

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What numismatic connection does the Colt Firearms Company have with World War II?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What World War II issues do we know of for Mongolia?

ANSWER:

There are two war bonds listed (5,50) as well as notes Inner Mongolia of 1 & 10 yuan notes from Chanan Bank. Later the Meng Chang Bank was formed and released 5 fen, 1 & 5 chiao notes, 5 chiao coin, 1, 5, 10 yuan notes. There was a final release of 1 & 5 fen, 1 chiao coins (not released), 5 fen, 1, 5, 10 & 100 yuan notes.

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EDITORIAL

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I had a chance to take an up close look at the meal ration cards mentioned in Dave's feature. They were quite interesting and I couldn't help but wonder what thoughts were going through the minds of the Jeavons family. A mother with two young children separated from her husband, flees Shanghai only to wind up in a camp in Manila prisoner of the Japanese. After spending four to six months there not knowing their ultimate fate they are moved from port to port on Japanese ships which could have been sunk at any time until, months later, they are part of a prisoner exchange and ultimately make it back to the safety of England.

What the rations cards do not say is how wretchedly badly they were treated, if they were injured or if they did reunite with their family.

We collect pieces of paper and can only imagine what ordeals or experiences the holders of these endured during the war. These meal ration cards, and the story associated with them, put a face, if you will, on just a piece of paper.

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Dear Editor,

Note that the illustration of lot 539 in Bill Rosenblum's sale does not show the stamp itself, but Bill tells me that the booklet shown does contain one \$1 stamp. Which makes me ask, how many of these did they send out? A dollar went a long way in 1942. And was Morgenthau's signature holographic, or the product of an autopen?

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

Unless you can clearly distinguish the regular issues from the reissues to meet the coin shortage, I do not see how they can be considered WWII coins.

Ken Berger

[I would agree with Ken that we do need some documentation of which coins were reissued as part of a shortage at the beginning of the war - Ed.]

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TWIRR # 81

by Fred Schwan

The Jeavons Family Journey by Dave Frank in gram 2094 was really great. It went right to the heart of why World War II numismatics is so great--history in your hands. We too often lament that it would be wonderful if an item could speak to us. Perhaps in stead we should listen better!

Also in that Gram, Joe mentioned again the Rosenblum auction with the bond sales promotion featuring a letter from Secretary Morgenthau. It has been mentioned a time or two before in the Gram. In the lot description and in the Gram Bill was very complimentary of the bond book (World War II United States Savings Bonds and Stamps by that well known squad of Gramsters). At the risk of sounding dreadfully commercial, I suggest that if you have not obtained a copy and might be remotely interested--get one now. My defense on the commercialism charge is that the publisher and I are both sold out. Two dealers who bought a few copies are selling them on eBay. Ski also told me that he has three copies (\$22 postpaid skitex@yahoo.com).

The Order of Vasa is a (the) Swedish American Fraternal Organization. Nice, you say, but why do we care? I had not heard of it and did not care until I bought from David Seelye a raffle ticket for a WWII war bond originally sold by the Order of Vasa. More specifically, it was created and sold by the Lodge Freja and Thor Order of Vasa. You can find Order of Vasa easily on the internet (www.vasaorder.com), but I was not able to find the lodge. Still, it is an interesting item.

The ticket looks like this:

\$25 WAR BOND

Benefit

Lodge Freja and Thor

Order of Vasa

Donation 10c

It is serial number 364. We can assume that this was not the winning ticket. On the other hand, it is possible that it survived because it was the winning ticket. Perhaps, as the winner it was only recently rescued from some obscure file of the Freja and Thor Lodge. We really must listen to all of the stories.

By the way, the ticket itself turned out to be quite a good investment as I paid David Seelye quite a bit more than the 10 cents paid in the 1940s!

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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There is an issue of notes that were used by the Vichy Government in concentration camps. What denominations were issued?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What numismatic connection does the Colt Firearms Company have with World War II?

ANSWER:

In 1942 when the US Mint was looking for alternatives to copper for the cent. Colt Firearms Co. was one of the companies that made trial pieces using different materials using trial dies that had a variation of the Columbia 2 centavo coin as the obverse and a Washington medal as the reverse.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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There are a couple of questions in Mail Call on currencies used on Okinawa which create a great opportunity for discussion. To start, we have two sources of reference. First The MPC Book states that Supplemental A Yen - Series 100 - was issued on July 16, 1946 and withdrawn on September 30th of that same year. It was issued for use in Korea (briefly) and Japan as experimental MPC. The MPC book also tells us that MPC Series 461, 471, 472, 481, 521 and 521 were used in the Ryukyus from July of 1946 through May of 1961.

Our second reference is Remembered which says A Yen was used in Korea on 7 September 1945 through 10 July 1946 and later in Japan from 19 July 1946 through 30 September 1946. Remembered also talks about Supplemental B Yen and states it was used exclusively in the Ryukyus Islands and that on 30 September 1958 there was a conversation of AMC yen to US dollars.

There are some conflicts between the two references and these, along with the questions posed below, should make a good start to the discussion.

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Dear Editor,

I have tried to contact Fred Schwan about finding some info in relation to the use of A-type yen during the 1946 test of MPC in Japan prior to the introduction of regular MPC, but he has not answered my email. I was trying to find out if there had been update in the old information that seems to indicate that A yen was not tested in Okinawa in 1946. I wanted to know if they had any new information that would have said that yes the A type yen was tested in Okinawa, as I have located some archival information that would seem to indicate that A type yen was tested in Okinawa. I wanted someone to look at info I have and see if it is enough to now be able to say that A type yen was tested in Okinawa in 1946. I know it is just a minor point but I have several friends who collect Okinawa related material and I want to be able to prove to them that A yen was indeed used in Okinawa.

Any help you can provide me on this would be appreciated.

Thanks

Donn Cuson

Dear Editor,

Can you tell me when MPC was replaced by greenbacks on Okinawa (Ryukyu Islands)? I know it was prior to May, 1958 since I arrived here then and never used MPC here.

Thank You

Gary Harper

Dear Editor,

I was wondering if Gene Hessler ever published his pre-Civil War Treasury Note numbering system?

Paul Young

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PA, PE, PI, PJ, PO, PP

P/AH, P/AI, P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AX, P/AU

P/BA, P/BJ, P/BK, P/BL, P/BM, P/BO, P/BP, P/BQ, P/BR, P/BS, P/B

Any P/C_

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A 9th Infantry Token,

by Ray Bows and John Riley

I recently received an inquiry from John Riley after answering John McDonald's question about his Co. D 16th Infantry token, and thought that Festers might be interested in the edited message traffic, about another token used during the Philippine Insurrection, between John Riley and myself.

John Riley wrote:

"I am sharing the photo attachment, one of my favorite pieces, with the thought that you may have more information. This 9th Infantry token is a listed maverick in Curto/Cunningham and is an obvious Frank & Co. die cutters product from the Philippines where the 9th was posted after the Spanish-American War. One collector (Name deleted) is of the opinion that the cancellation is Chinese (the 9th Inf participated in the Boxer Rebellion) and a modern translation comes up with a surname of "Jian." Obverse/reverse are the same, brass 26 mm with countermark on opposite side of the 5. Any thoughts are welcome!"

Ray Bows wrote back:

Hope my explanation on your 9th Infantry token, which follows, does not become too convoluted - anyway here goes! Your 9th Infantry Post Exchange piece is definitely from the Philippines. Although the 9th became known as the "Manchus" after their participation in China during the "China Relief Expedition" in campaigns at Tientsin, Yang-tsun and Peking, your token was issued by them during and shortly after their participation in the "Philippine Insurrection" (San Isidro, Zapote River, Malolos, Tarlac, Luzon 1899, Luzon 1900, and Samar 1901).

The token was definitely issued in the Philippines - Here's why -

(1.) First the die work is unmistakably Frank and Company as you are aware. Such die work dominated military tokens issued in the Philippines at the turn of the last century.

(2.) Second the counter-stamped "Chinese Character" which someone incorrectly translated as a Chinese chop mark - is no such thing - but rather an elaborate Old English "K" which is inverted. To verify this, take the scan that you sent to me and look at it in the mirror - then, punch in a large letter "K" on your computer - then hit "Old English" font - and compare the two. Why is the K inverted on your token? Not because Company K had some Filipino tool and die maker design such an intricate letter, because by the time this token was issued First Sergeants already had dog tag punch kits, and could have easily used a "K" from such a kit if they had needed to control such tokens by company, but rather sometime, after the fact, someone somehow acquired a master die punch letter used to make dies for metal unit insignia mottos (unit crests/DI's) - but not a letter used for the 9th's unit crest (I'll have to figure out which one later - but definitely a 'K') rather from some other unit - and for some reason which we will never know - they stamped the token with the old English letter "K" which appears inverted because it was used to stamp a die so that the die would stamp a unit crest "heads-up". Unlike today when the Army Institute of Heraldry prepares all dies and master

hubs for manufacturers of unit crests, back in "the good ole days" each contracting company was only furnished designs of DIs and constructed their own dies. Also I should mention that 100 years ago old English lettering was common on unit insignia unlike their appearances today which are block letters - Also the War Department didn't officially start approving unit crest as we know them today before WWI.

(3.) The third reason that I know this piece to absolutely be a Philippines issue, struck in the Philippines and used for the Philippines is because it is marked with the unit, but says "Post Exchange". Granted there are PX's everywhere (verbally - but they were actually EES [European Exchange Service], FEES [Far East Exchange Service], JCE [Japan Central Exchange] and so on) but a Post Exchange is only on a "Fort" (i.e. an Army "post" is a fort). And forts are only found in the Continental US, Alaska, Hawaii, old Florida, Panama, and the Philippines (Side bar: Yeah we had Fort Dent, Fort Compton, Fort Defiance, Fort Dillon, Fort De Russy, Fort Don Dak Nam and Fort Apache in Vietnam, but these were unofficial names that GIs gave to them without official approval let alone DoD approval). Overseas (Germany, France, Italy, Korea, Okinawa etc etc) the US establishes camps and bases, but never "Forts". Except for our conquests after the Spanish American War in the Philippines and when Uncle Sam took Florida from Spain and the Seminoles, and Hawaii from King Kalakaua I.

Anyway the only unit tokens bearing the words Post Exchange rather than the Regimental Exchange ever, to my knowledge, to be used in the states were the 6th Infantry pieces issued at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri - (i.e. Post Exchange - 6th Infantry - 1 cent thru 25 cents) The 6th Infantry and Jefferson Barracks were synonymous which each other for many years at the turn of the last century, and because the 6th was in control at Jefferson Barracks, they felt no need to mention Jefferson Barracks on their tokens - ask me not why - maybe simple space restraints. Anyway Paul Cunningham has the 6th Infantry Post Exchange tokens listed as being from Fort Thomas, Kentucky, I guess because tokens from both locations were produced by Jas Murdock - (Info on the other locations that are listed as "also-ran" in his catalog notes for the 6th are simply collective collectors conjecture). The 6th dominated Jefferson Barracks and thus the 6th Infantry was the only unit to operate a "Post Exchange" stateside - other units operated regimental exchanges - However because single Infantry regiments protected individual provinces in the Philippines they ran the posts - which were forts - thus minus the 6th at Jefferson Barracks, Mo, all "Post Exchange" tokens marked with a unit designation are most likely from the Philippines (I never say "never" because there are always exceptions.)

4. Finally, I should have my notes somewhere on exactly which post this piece was used but will have to get back to you on that once I pull my Philippine material out from files. I wanted to get back to you right away thus no exact location yet, but definitely Philippines. (All six

battalions of the 9th Infantry served in the Philippines during the Insurrection - Their 7 campaigns are listed above. They have the appropriate embroidered battle streamers for each).

John Riley wrote back:

"Thank you, for some interesting insight on that 9th Infantry check. . . ."
I think a lot of us are drawn to tokens largely because of the rich fabric around their production and use. . . . "I have a couple of favorites that can almost "speak." . . . "I didn't consider that the stamping on this particular token might have been inverted!"

[Many thanks to Ray and John for providing a very interesting and informative feature. Am I correct in assuming the 9th Infantry discussed is the same 9th Infantry Division which served in the Mekong Delta during the Viet Nam war? - Ed.]

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What does NAAFI mean?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

There is an issue of notes that were used by the Vichy Government in concentration camps. What denominations were issued?

ANSWER:

5, 10, 50, 100 francs

Myers

ANSWER:

The French Vichy Government (July 1940 to Aug 1944), issued "Lagerfeld" to pay prisoners for work etc.

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1 Mark

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3RM Dark Brown

Ref:

Steve Feller "Concentration Camp Money of the Nazi Holocaust"

The Barnes Review, Jan/Feb 1001 pp7 to 9

[John went above and beyond in answering this question - Ed.]

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EDITORIAL

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Joe, of course, is correct when he says B Yen were used throughout Japan as stated on page 292 of Remembered. However, what has always confused me to some extent is why the same B Yen notes are listed in two areas. Look on page 439 About a third of the way down the page a paragraph starts with the following sentence:

"The listings below are of the AM yen that was used exclusively in the Ryukyu Islands"

The reasoning it seems is that notes printed by the BEP (as described on page 292) and used throughout Japan were Supplemental B yen and were part of joint issues in occupied areas. The B yen described on page 429 were printed by the Japanese and were exclusive to the Ryukyu's Islands. As we know they can be distinguished by the font of the serial numbers. But, if you look at the two pages you will see the same notes pictured on both pages.

I can appreciate the distinction, but, as I said above, it can get confusing.

Perhaps, and this is just a suggestion, in the next edition the images can be changed and the pages can be cross referenced.

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Dear Editor,

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Thanks,

BillRosenblum

Dear Editor,

Several questions were presented in the last gram about A and B yen and greenbacks as used in the Ryukyus.

First, to answer Donn Cuson, yes, A-yen was used on Okinawa as trial MPC - it was used throughout the Pacific theater (see page 15 of the MPC book). Certainly Okinawa would be included, as that was an area of large US troop concentrations that was needed as part of the experiment leading to the issue of MPC.

Next, the start date of 16 July 1946 for A-yen as trial MPC (page 192 of the 4th edition of the MPC book) is an apparent typo, since every other reference to the start date says 19 July (page 15 of the MPC book and throughout Remembered).

The apparent short period of non-use of A-yen in Korea (withdrawn there 10 July 1946 and reissued 19 July as trial MPC) is deceiving, as A-yen were not used in Korea almost from the start of the liberation (Sept 1945). The 10 July withdrawal was a formality leading to use of A-yen as trial MPC nine days later.

The editor says that the MPC book says that "MPC Series 461, 471, 472, 481, 521 and 521 were used in the Ryukyus from July of 1946 through May of 1961." Clearly he meant the second 521 to be 541. However, the MPC book does not say that series 541 was used on Okinawa through it's

worldwide withdrawal date. It simply says that the series was used there. In fact, it was barely introduced (27 May 1958) before being converted to greenbacks on 30 September 1958.

The editor also says "Remembered also talks about Supplemental B Yen and states it was used exclusively in the Ryukyus Islands...." Not so. Remembered clearly says that B-yen were used in both Japan (home islands) and the Ryukyu (also part of Japan), and gives the dates for each such use on page 292.

Gary Harper says he never used MPC on Okinawa, despite arriving in May 1958. All documentation available to us says that MPC were withdrawn on Okinawa on 30 Sept 1958, but as I pointed out above, that would have left series 541 with only a four-month use period there. I rather doubt that greenbacks were being used interchangeably with MPC anywhere, or that the issue of series 541 would have been delayed or scrubbed because of anticipated conversion to green four months later, but it IS possible. It's more likely that Mr. Harper is just not remembering accurately - we find that regularly.

Rolled together, the only disagreement among our published works is the three-day discrepancy in issue date for A-yen as trial MPC on page 192 of the MPC book (an error that was introduced in the 3rd edition).

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

Just found a unlisted album in the new Bond Book, it is "Eagle War Stamps Albums" in \$1 stamps for a \$100 bond. One of the dealers knew what it was worth and the other album I got in a group of seven albums along with a \$5 battleship album for a reasonable price.

If it is all right can I send a letter to Gram about some of the Fest Challenger Coins I need? I tried e-mailing the Gram, but I cannot get through.

Bob Olson

ole518@att.net

Dear Gram,

A while back there was a discussion about irradiated dimes from the American Museum of Atomic Energy. At my coin club meeting one was in the auction with a 1940 dime. Of course I had to have one so I bid on it and

won. I was the only bidder. A few months ago I would have ignored such an item. Reading the gram can be hazardous to your wallet but can enhance your collection.

Bill Myers

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Donn Cuson

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I will still receive mail at Box 597, Columbia, MD 21045 until the end of February. Then it will close for good. I hate changing addresses especially since I had the old box for 23 years. However, the new box is in a Post Office two miles closer to my home. Also, twice in the last two weeks, a registered and an insured package was misplaced in the Columbia Post Office. Plus it is like Christmas every day there with long lines. I couldn't put up with it anymore even though I had several Postal window clerks as friends who looked out for Cookie Jar Collectible items.

2. Mailbid XVI status. I have finally caught up with shipping all winning bids that have been paid for to date (I am still waiting for payment by about 5 bidders). There are still about 300 lots that received no bids and are still available at Minimum. Those of you who haven't paid yet, Please do now. I am paying off consignors this week. They did very well given the 204 bidders and large number of bids placed. My wife tells me my next auction will not be so big (and I have to agree as I am worn out!!). I had 32 consignors this time but will limit next sale to 16. I plan to do Mailbid XVII in the Spring. If you wish to consign get items to me by end of March.

3. Note that in the February, 2012 Bank Note Reporter, Neil Shafer continues his updating of Philippine Guerilla Notes covering Bukidnon and Cagayan Province Notes. It starts on page 20. Also, Neil featured a US-Philippine Settlement Warrant dated January 12, 1903 signed by Wm. H. Taft who was the first Civil Governor of the Philippines. I bought this on eBay several months ago but must thank Numismatist John Riley who brought it to my attention. I also specialize in collecting General Lawton and President McKinley vignette checks used in the Philippines in case you have any.

4. Also note the current issue of Coin World (Feb 13, 2012) has an extensive article written by Erik Martin on a recently discovered obverse die of the 1920 Philippine Wilson Dollar. The article is generally well written and informative. I do take issue with the comment only three examples of the Gold Wilson are extant. Yesterday, I sent Erik my reasoning below:

Hi Erik,

Nice article on the Wilson Die in CoinWorld Feb 13, 2012 edition. As you probably know I specialize in Philippines. I personally handled two Wilson Gold Dollar sales, the first back in 1998 from a Philippine family collection handled by known Philippine Numismatist Conrad Ciriaco (since deceased) to me. It was graded by NGC as an MS61. I sold it to Philippine Collector Bill Pahl (now deceased) in Ft Walton Beach, Fl. and in fact wrote up an article which Coin World published front page in 1998. Given the publicity of that sale, Bill was contacted by the owner of another

Gold Wilson. He was living in the Midwest, was a US Citizen with a Spanish heritage. Prior to World War II he worked as a Mining Engineer in the Baguio area of the Philippines. Through his work he was in contact with a number of high level officials in the Philippines. During the Japanese Occupation, he remained free and was not caught but had to fight them as they tried to confiscate all silver and gold. He acquired the Wilson gold during his stay in the Philippines, probably because he knew certain officials. He was in his mid '80s when he decided to sell it in 1998 and Bill agreed to his price because it was comparable in condition to the one purchased from me. According to my notes, this piece is the only Gold Wilson Medal of four that I was aware of then on which the legends on the Obverse and the legends, "Manila" and 1920 date on the Reverse are doubled. This is not a double die but probably struck twice during minting, normally called "machine doubling". It did make this particular piece distinctive compared to others.

Then in 2007 and 2008, Bill consigned them one at a time to me to sell for him. The first was was the Gold piece graded MS61 (but most who saw it said it was severely under-graded). The 2007 sale was the one graded by NGC MS61 and sold by Stacks in their America Sale 15-16 Jan 2008. The second was graded MS61 and I sold it in a private sale in 2008. I do dispute the number available. When I sold the two pieces and submitted them to NGC, they had already graded a Gold Wilson at MS62 so that makes three pieces. Add to that the one NGS, loop removed you mentioned in the article so that makes four and I am aware of a fifth piece ungraded VF in a West Coast collection. I have read there is still another piece in a Philippine collection for at least six.

5. I do have some of the newer manufactured blue Philippine Coin albums available. Contact me for details.

6. I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$26. Since Lyman sold the rights for future editions some 16 months ago, there has been no word on availability.

7. I also have available: "History and Mintage Philippine Counter-stamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, M.D. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counter-stamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book. Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate.

Thank you,

Ray Czahor

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In 1943, the OSS was requested to obtain a quantity of counterfeit Thai notes. What was the outcome?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What does NAAFI mean?

ANSWER:

The answer to the most recent question is "Navy, Army, Air Force Institute"

George Slade

ANSWER:

NAAFI stood for the Navy (or Naval - seen used both ways) Army Air Force Institute. The name was used with or without commas and simply called "The NAAFI" by the troops. Established in 1921 by the British, it was used to replace all of the various troop support activities such as canteens, troop recreation, teahouses, pubs, etc. used by the many units throughout the British forces.

One such was the NAAFI which I used while stationed at Wheelus Air Base with the 7th Air Rescue Group in the Kingdom of Libya from late 1955 through 1957. Civilian currency and, as I recall, English currency was generally used in the NAAFI, but I also recall using MPC there and receiving MPC in change although this may have an informal arrangement. The NAAFI was authorized to provide support to the allied forces so that may have been the reason for their acceptance of the various currencies. The Corner House "pub" was located downtown near the castle and, as I recall, it was one of the favoritewatering holes for both American and British GI's. I don't know whether or not it was part of the NAAFI, but British goods (cigarettes and booze mostly) as well as British and Libyan beers were sold as well as food. For those of us who were there, the Libyan beer was called OEA and brewed Italian style. All currencies were used: MPC, Green, LSD, and "floose" (Libyan currency).

As an aside, I dated a lovely Maltese girl who worked at the NAAFI while I was there. Ah, sweet memories.

Paul Garner, TSgt, USAF (Retired)

1954-1975

[Great answer Paul. OK - my ignorance is showing; LSD has a different meaning to a retired cop - what currency is it? - Ed]

ANSWER:

Navy Army Air Force Institute

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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I must admit I did not know what noodling was. I had to go on line to find out. Now I know it is fishing for catfish using nothing but your hands. The cat fish is in his/her little house at the bottom of the lake/pond/river and the fisherperson sticks his/her hand down in the hole and the catfish grabs on with his/her mouth. When that happens, the fisherperson pulls the fish out of the water. Sounds like fun, except maybe for the catfish.

I have questions: who is going to cook the fish once it is caught?; are we going to fish in the lake behind Fest Headquarters?; and, most importantly, do catfish have teeth?

Google the History channel and you will get a schedule - seems the show has multiple episodes.

Thanks to Ray Bows and Joe for the explanation of the 9th Infantry. The Army ran the gunboats we in the Navy serviced and repaired in the delta and on many occasions came aboard our ship for some chow and to shoot the breeze. We had some good times and a lot of laughs and if I am not mistaken, our own Jack Lippencott was a member of the 9th.

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Dear Editor,

I would like to take this time to invite everybody to watch the program on history channel in reference to noodling and announce there's going to be a noodling competition at the next MPC fest, so watch the program and get ready.

Douglas Bell

Dear Editor,

Dan and I would like to thank Warner Talso for his recent donation to the scholarship fund. He donated the check he received when he wrote his ANA article on World War II bonds. It should be noted that he gave credit to Fred Schwan and Joe Boling for their assistance in writing the article. His donation was very much appreciated as the time draws closer to the deadline for scholarship applications. Just a reminder to all who wish to apply that applications need to be in our hands by Feb. 25th. They can be mailed, or e-mailed to the addresses below. For information on applying and the format desired by the judges, go back to MPC Gram 2095 for application information.

Sincerely,

Dan and Kathy Freeland

Dear Editor,

As you know Fest XII will be May 3-6, 2012 at Camp Leo May in Port Clinton,

OH. Ray and I already are getting excited.

Last year we had well over 30 marvelous presentations. It is time for you to

send us your topics and descriptions. Therefore, please send to us, asap, to ray.feller@gmail.com the following:

1. Short Title

2. A few sentences of a description. This MUST include a Military Numismatic

connection.

3. A jpeg or tiff file of an illustration or two--with decent resolution

We will produce a booklet for the fest.

Steve and Ray Feller, Education Officers

Dear Editor,

This is a fascinating, nine minute, short film called "The German".

Particularly the incredible four minute footage of a desperate Spitfire vs. ME-109 dual. You feel like you are there! Amazing computer work blended in with real photography. Also an interesting factual story that most of us did not know. History is rarely 'over'.

Now sit back and strap on your parachute harness ... it is the Summer of 1940 over the skies of England. Listen to the perfect 'purr' of the Rolls Royce Merlin

The German

Howard Daniel

[This is a well done program and worth nine minutes of your time. Watch it in full screen - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

The 9th Infantry that served in the Mekong Delta was the 9th Infantry Division which had 10 infantry battalions, 4 artillery battalions, and at least 14 various support elements of both battalion and company strength. Known as "The Old Reliables" they were organized in July 1918 at Camp Sheridan, Alabama. During World War II they fought in Algeria-French Morocco, Tunisia, Sicily, Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace and Central Europe so by their campaigns we can pretty much see the

path that they took across Europe. They were in Vietnam, as you mentioned, mostly in the Mekong Delta from December 1966 to August 1969 (They left their 3d Brigade behind until October 1970.) They named Camp Martin Cox at Bear Cat (for SFC Martin Cox KIA 7 April 1966 and the Cronin Army Museum (full of captured VC weapons at CMC) for LTC William Cronin KIA 27 April 1967. . . . but this was not the 9th Infantry that issued the tokens in the Philippines around 1900! That was the 9th Infantry (Regiment) which can trace its lineage back to the Civil War and has multiple battle streamers for the Little Big Horn, War with Spain, China Expedition, Philippine Insurrection, World War I, World War II, Korea and Vietnam. . . . Only the 4th Battalion of the 9th Infantry (Regiment) served in Vietnam. They were there from April 1966 until December 1970 as part of the 25th Infantry Division serving in Cu Chi, Tay Ninh, and Dau Tieng. They were part of the Cambodian invasion in June 1970.

The reason for the confusion is common - In the late 50's and early 60's Infantry Regiments were re-designated "battle groups" in the days of "Gyro-scope" rather than individual replacement transfers. When the powers-to-be decided to do away with Gyro-scope, they decided to reinstate "Infantry Regiments". . . however if they back-tracked on the "Regiment" designation it would have appeared that they were taking a step backward - so instead they simply dropped the word "Regiment" Thus if you see "9th Infantry Division" or "9th Division" you're looking at the unit with tens of thousands of soldiers, while if you see "9th Infantry" or "9th Infantry (Regiment)" you're looking at about 4,000 soldiers provided that that regiment has 4 battalions (i.e. 1000 soldiers per battalion).

Hope this clarifies things,

Ray Bows

Dear Editor,

No, the editor is not correct I assuming that the 9th Infantry of the Mekong Delta is the same as the 9th Infantry discussed by Ray Bows and John Riley. The VN unit was the 9th Infantry Division. The unit in the Philippines (and also with one battalion in VN as well), is the 9th Infantry Regiment.

Whoever "John" [I neglected to include John Cheney's last name - sorry John- Ed.] was, who replied to the quiz question about Vichy French POW chits with a list of 100+ emissions, has confused the French with the Germans. The chits he listed were all issued by Germany, not by Vichy France. The notes referenced by the Myers were the French issues, use in camps in North Africa (page 741 of Remembered).

If the editor will look at the next sentence on page 439 of Remembered, after the sentence he cites that says "The listings below are of the AM yen that was used exclusively in the Ryukyu Islands," he will see that it explains that the listings there are extracted from the main listings of

AMC, so that the catalog numbers are out of sequence and the illustrations duplicate what is found on page 292. The introductory sentence does not mean (and does not say) that B-yen were used exclusively in the Ryukyus.

Both BEP-printed and Japanese Finance Ministry-printed notes are listed on page 439, repeated there from page 292 because page 439 is where the Ryukyus trusteeship is treated in the book. I know, you don't like looking in multiple places to find listings. That's why the whole B-yen series is treated on page 292, and is referred back to on page 439.

Joe Boling

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WANTED SECTION:

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WANTED

Military Club paper scrip/chits from any of the military clubs on Okinawa from 1945 to 1972, nothing after 1972. donn@rememberingokinawa.com

Donn Cuson

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WANTED

I am looking for the following Japan Occupation notes of the Philippines

P-102 1 Centavo

PA, PE, PI, PJ, PO, PP

P/AH, P/AI, P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AX, P/AU

P/BA, P/BJ, P/BK, P/BL, P/BM, P/BO, P/BP, P/BQ, P/BR, P/BS, P/B

Any P/C_

P-103 5 Centavos

PA, PC, PE, PK

P/AB, P/AC, P/AD, P/AH, P/AI, P/AJ, P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AQ, P/AR, P/AS, P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

P-104 10 Centavos

PD, PE, PJ, PL, PM, PN, PO, PP, PQ

P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AN, P/AR, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

Any P/B_

P-106 1 Peso PA, PB, PC, PD, PE, PG These in high grade only

P-107 5 Peso PA, PE

P-133a 1 Peso notes with prefix of C, E, F, J, K

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If you have any of these notes please contact me at rpapagno@aol.com
Thanks.

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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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42nd Charlotte Coin Club

Metrolina Trade Show Expo

Charlotte, NC

Feb. 10-12

Contact: Jerry Sajbel

Email jsajbel@comporium.net

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale

Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Sponsored by Sarasota (and Manatee) Coin Club

Mar. 2-4

Free Admission and Parking

Contact Frank Cox Email: frankcox@comcast.net

Tennessee State Spring Coin Show

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

March 2-4 Show

Info Gayle Pike

Email pikegk@aol.com

Show Info: www.tsns.org

18th Chicago Paper Money Exposition (CPMX)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

March 8-11

Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

Auction Lyn Knight Currency Auctions

<http://new.lynknight.com>

Phone (913) 338-3779

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cpmx.com

Waukesha Coin Club

43d Annual Show

March 11, 2012

American Legion Hall

3245 North 124th Street

Brookfield, WI

Adult Admission \$1

More information at <http://waukeshacoinclub.com>

78th Northwest Coin Club's
Annual Money Show
Earle Brown Heritage Center
Brooklyn Center, MN
March 16-18
Free Parking - Free Admission
Contact - Lee Quast - 314-276-1162
or amerishow@gmail.com
On premises Hotel - Embassy Suites
Reservations -1-763-560-2700

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
March 22-25 Free Admission
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN Activities Auction by Stacks Bowers Galleries
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or phone (800) 566-2580
Contact David Crenshaw
info@whitmanexpo.com
or Lori Hamrick
lori.hamrick@whitmanbooks.com
or call either at: (404) 214-4373
Show information
<http://whitmanexpo.com>

48th South Shore Coin Club Show

Wyndham Hotel, Milwaukee, WI March 29-31

Free Parking

Exhibits

Possible Scout Clinic

Show Info: Walter Weis

Phone No. (414) 384-7966

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Schaumburg, IL

Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center

April 18 (PNG Day) 19 - 21, 2012

Invitation needed for PNG Day

Free Admission

Educational Programs, Coin Club Meetings

Exhibits Fran Lockwood

Email franlockwood@aol.com

Auction by Heritage Auctions

<http://www.HA.com>

Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Info Kevin Foley

E-mail: kfoley2@wi.rr.com

Website: www.centralstates.info

37th Chicago International Coin Fair(CICF)

Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare

Rosemont, IL

Apr 26-29 Admission Charge

Educational Programs

Probable IBNS Meeting & MiniFest

Auction by Heritage Auctions

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Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Phone No. (800) 573-0333

Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cicfshow.com

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Hyatt Regency Dearborn Dearborn, MI

Apr 27-29

Free Parking and Admission

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email: jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info: www.michigancoinclub.org

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Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center

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Educational Programs & Exhibits

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Rhonda Scurek

scurek@money.org

Phone number (719) 482-9839

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More information at

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Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

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Cook Convention Center

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

Admission Charge

Educational Programs, Club Meetings & Exhibits

Possible MPC Mini-Fest

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Baltimore, MD

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Show information

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Pennsylvania Convention Center

Philadelphia, PA.

Aug 7-11, 2012

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Educational Programs & Exhibits

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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

A Good Place to Check,

by Howard Daniel

This afternoon, I spent some time with George A. Petersen, who I have not seen in many years. He owns National Capital Historical Sales, which was based just south of the DC Beltway in a warehouse in Newington, Virginia, but a raise in the rent went beyond his boiling point. Before he moved out, he built a warehouse on the back of his house in Northern Virginia and I was just there for the first time. The place has shelving going up about 12+ feet and loaded with militaria and related items. One of his major sales areas is renting or selling complete military uniforms to movie producers and he has bins full of uniforms, authentic and reproduction.

One of his military collectibles is medals, decorations, badges, pins, etc., and I found out today, he also sometimes has pay-books! The price for the pay-books start at about \$25 each and go up depending on the person it was issued to and the data/information in it. He sometimes has other documents and objects of interest to Gramsters when it comes with a group of other items that are in his main business areas. He covers WWI to date, but he is heavy in WWII and the Vietnam War.

George is often on the road in the USA and Canada and overseas too on buying and selling trips. He is also in Viet Nam several times a year because he has his reproduction uniforms made there!!! So we will be meeting in Viet Nam when he is there later this year and I will connect him with collectors of military items over there. If you want to contact him, please do it by email first at GPete2000@aol.com. Describe what you are looking for and give him your email and telephone number. He will contact you when he is back in his warehouse and knows what he has to offer you. Have patience because he is one man in a BIG operation!

When I saw him today, I offered him a couple of boxes of militaria from Joe Cartafalsa's estate and he paid me double what I thought he would pay me. When I mentioned it, he said I have sent him a lot of customers and wanted to thank me. I told him the money was going to Joe's widow and not me, and I am happy, but for her.

George was an Army infantryman, a Vietnam War veteran, and was also in The Old Guard.

That is all for now. I hope George has something for every Gramster!

The Master Sergeant Daniel

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What is the Showa date for 1944?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

In 1943, the OSS was requested to obtain a quantity of counterfeit Thai notes. What was the outcome?

ANSWER:

PTT Miles requested counterfeit Thai notes and development was started on Bangkok type notes but work stopped due the lack of high quality originals.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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It occurs to me we have not heard from our Texas sage. Now I do not mean to put an pressure on him and I don't know if the famed bowling ball can be found among the vast amount of golf balls on the back patio (in Texas, everything is big) so perhaps it is just a case of not being able to put a hand on it. Will a great collection come on the market? Will a new discovery suddenly appear? Will Remembered 2 be released? We will not know what the military numismatic future holds in store until of the old ball is polished up and does its thing.

One thing I can predict with certainty is that the Fest is ten weeks away and that in the very near future a training schedule to include noodling will be forthcoming. In fact, I am sure, as I write this the schedule is being worked on with diligence.

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Dear Editor,

LSM is the Pound (Libra), Shilling, Pence (Denarius) system used by the UK and Commonwealth countries.

Jim Downey

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ANSWER:

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Book Report,

by William Barrett

Banknotendruck 1854 - 1943 - Banknote Printing 1854 - 1943

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Thought you might like to see this. You will undoubtedly want to get copies.

If none of you were aware of the book and it hasn't been written up, can I count on one of you to do a review once it is to hand?

Of course if you already all have multiple copies, well annotated and thumbbed, have published reviews in the BNR, SPMC, IBNS and god [sic] knows where else, then you are of course free to pillory me for not reading all my copies of everything that comes in. (Which is true.)

Incidentally, have undertaken two new works, the first will be "Banknotes of Arabia". My goal is to create interest in the Gulf. I am going to emphasize interesting bits of information about issues, also things like lucky numbers, replacements, proofs, colour trials, etc.

Also I'll be covering the numismatic history of the region, and going into such subjects as the fabulous sale of King Farouk.

The second book will be "Foreign Banks in China", based on my collection. It may only appear in Chinese and be sold in China. I expect to illustrate somewhere up to 1000 items.

Both are intended as first drafts; the Arabia book will be enlarged to include the Levant, then North Africa -- if not separate volumes -- the foreign banks will have fairly basic information in the first edition, augmented subsequently.

Trust you are all enjoying excellent health. Will see you in Chicago?

William Barrett

Dear William,

I tried to buy this when it was published and could not find anyone handling it. Then it went on the back burner - thanks for your reminder. It is now available on Abe Books and Amazon (through their third-party sellers). All the Abe vendors are in Europe, but some of the Amazon are in the US. I now have a copy on the way. But since you are getting one, why don't you write the review?

Yes, I will be at CPMX and Central States - probably not at CICF.

Joe Boling

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Rosenblum Auction

Our auction 42A is now over and all the invoices have been written. If

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For those who participated in our auction many thanks for making it a success.

Bill and Rita Rosenblum

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What is the Showa date for 1944?

ANSWER:

Showa date for 1944 is Yr 19.

Teck Plan Chua

ANSWER:

1944 is Showa 19.

George Slade

ANSWER:

1944 is Showa 19

[There is a nice table at:

<http://www.imes.boj.or.jp/cm/pdf/files/imperialyear.pdf>

Myers

[The table Bill gives us the link for is indeed quite helpful in determining Japanese dating - Ed.]

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EDITORIAL

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The March edition of Bank Note Reporter has the schedule and bourse layout for CPMX which starts in about two weeks. On Saturday at 1400 there will be an IBNS meeting at which Jim Downey will give a presentation. After the meeting I am confident a Miniest may occur.

I expect a number of Festers/Gramsters will be in attendance.

Joe Boling will attend and is looking for a roommate. If you can help his email is joeboling@aol.com

Added to the Gram Calendar is the upcoming Maastricht Show in April.

This is always a great show with a lot of opportunities to find items not normally seen here. If any of our readers are planning to attend, please write in so we can organize a Netherlands Minifest.

The next Gram number will be 2100 which, if not a milestone, is a significant achievement. When it will be published will depend on you, our readership. so take this as a solicitation for that article or feature you have always wanted to write and send in. Perhaps there is a short story of a find or some musing about a note you have been chasing. We need not limit Gram 2100 to one feature; write it and it will be published.

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Dear Editor,

The Spring-PaperMoneyFair-Maastricht (Netherlands) will take place at the Polfermolen in Valkenburg on April 21-22, 2012

For more info see www.papermoney-maastricht.eu

Kind regards

Jos Eijsermans

Dear Editor,

My data on Thai forgeries just says that Captain Milton Miles (don't know if he was Army or Navy) requested 1000 pounds of fakecurrency but due to

lack of high quality genuine notes to copy the plan was abandoned. You use the (rank?) PTT. What exactly does that stand for?

The SGM Herb Friedman

Dear Editor,

I am behind in my reading but I just read an interesting article in the FEB 2012 issue of the Numismatist titled "Exotic Gold Dollar Love Tokens" authored by The Boss with some help from Fred. HOOAH to Judy (and Fred).

Myers

Dear Editor,

Fake US bonds worth trillions seized.US bonds that gave the appearance they had been issued by the US Federal Reserve in 1934.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-17076378>

Don Wilkinson

Dear Editor,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Bill Rosenblum for his generous donation to the scholarship fund. One last reminder: the scholarship applications are due in our hands (you can send by mail or e-mail) by this Friday, February 25th.

Sincerely yours,

Dan and Kathy Freeland

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Donn Cuson

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WANTED

I am looking for the following Japan Occupation notes of the Philippines

P-102 1 Centavo

PA, PE, PI, PJ, PO, PP

P/AH, P/AI, P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AX, P/AU

P/BA, P/BJ, P/BK, P/BL, P/BM, P/BO, P/BP, P/BQ, P/BR, P/BS, P/B

Any P/C_

P-103 5 Centavos

PA, PC, PE, PK

P/AB, P/AC, P/AD, P/AH, P/AI, P/AJ, P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AQ, P/AR, P/AS,
P/AT, P/AU, P/AV, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

P-104 10 Centavos

PD, PE, PJ, PL, PM, PN, PO, PP, PQ

P/AK, P/AL, P/AM, P/AN, P/AR, P/AW, P/AX, P/AY, P/AZ

Any P/B_

P-106 1 Peso PA, PB, PC, PD, PE, PG These in high grade only

P-107 5 Peso PA, PE

P-133a 1 Peso notes with prefix of C, E, F, J, K

P-136a English Series 10 Peso note with signature group 1

If you have any of these notes please contact me atrpapagno@aol.com
Thanks.

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Emailpikegk@aol.com

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Email:scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

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Show Contact: Scott Tappa

Phone No.(800) 573-0333

Email:scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info:www.cicfshow.com

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Hyatt Regency Dearborn Dearborn, MI

Apr 27-29

Free Parking and Admission

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email:jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info:www.michigancoinclub.org

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Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center

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Educational Programs & Exhibits

Show information contact

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As you know Fest XIII will be May 3-6, 2012 at Camp Leo May in Port Clinton,

OH. Ray and I already are getting excited.

Last year we had well over 30 marvelous presentations. It is time for you to

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1. Short Title with your name
2. A few sentences of description. This MUST include a Military Numismatic connection.
3. A jpeg or tiff file of an illustration or two--with decent resolution

Here's an example:

Junk Box Finds

Bill Myers

Presented are several World War II numismatic items that were located hunting junk boxes and one of the notes is a dog but is in the running for best of show.

Also, Bill sent a marvelous image of the junk box finds.

We will produce a booklet for the fest--ALL PRESENTERS WILL GET A NUMBERED COPY.

Steve and Ray Feller, education officers

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Currency Control Books,

by David Klinger

I was recently reading the HQ US EUCOM history for 1945-46, and found this reference to the currency control efforts leading up to the use of MPC.

"The first attempt at currency control was a simple limitation on remittances to 100 per cent of pay and allowances for any given month. A directive laid down the principle that only money received from pay and allowances could be remitted, but failed to provide an effective method of enforcement. In November 1945 a currency exchange control book system was introduced. The currency control book, a folded sheet of paper, was provided with columns for the entry of currency transactions of the individual soldier. The system was soon tightened by deducting the cost of meals in messes from officers' pay and also entering in the currency control book purchases of more than five dollars made at official installations. Nevertheless, currency violations were continuing at an alarming rate at the end of the first year."

The EUCOM history goes on to describe other currency control options leading up to the introduction of MPC on 13 September 1946.

My question for Gramsters is: does anyone own any of these "currency control books"? I would love to add one to my collection of pay books.

[This is the first in what I hope to be a series of articles from David on the introduction of MPC. Stay tuned. If you can answer the question, David can be reached at 2klinger@cox.net - Ed.]

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Who, or what, were "Netaji"?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

How many series of Seaman's Overseas Service notes were produced?

ANSWER:

"Virtually no definitive information has been found." "The notes have been known in a few collections for more than 20 years." "They were produced by American Banknote Company"

"Series 3 have been seen."

Some guy named Fred Schwan wrote the article.

John Cheney

ANSWER:

There were at least three series of the Seamen's Overseas Service notes. Only series 3 notes are known in collector's hands (as far as I know).

David Klinger

ANSWER:

The only known series is the 3rd series so only one is known but there could be three. (I am OCONUS and do not have WWII Remembered with me)

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Dave Klinger's feature is the first in what I hope to be a series of articles on the introduction of MPC. There are, I know, more excerpts from the HQ US EUCOM and Dave has been asked to write an article for the Gram further explaining the attempts at currency reform in Europe just after the war that ultimately led to the issuance of the MPC we eagerly collect. So stay tuned. And, if you can answer the question, and possibly add to his collection he can be reached at: 2klinger@cox.net

Fest XIII is only two months away and as the Feller's have requested with their featured email, there is a need for presenters. The talk need not be long; it just needs to concern military numismatics. It doesn't need to be a power point or computer aided talk either. All you need to do is get up and talk to us. Think of it as an extended show-and-tell where you can pass around the item you are discussing. There are many different topics that would be of interest, so why not consider making a presentation this year.

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Dear Editor,

Capt. Miles was the Navy attache to the Nationalist Chinese government in Chungking. He was very involved with various schemes to use counterfeit notes in Asia. While at the Naval Academy he had the nickname "Mary" hung on him, which he used for the rest of his career. Any reference to Capt Mary Miles is to him.

AND I still need a room mate for Chicago.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

Special to the Gram: Lyn Knight will be offering the renowned Greg Pineda Collection of Philippine coins, paper money, medals and various other items at the Memphis show this coming June. This sale will provide a tremendous opportunity for all as he has some very special pieces.

In paper money there are quite a number of World War II-related issues, including the second of only two known 10 pesos notes dated 1941 that went through the aging process by the Bureau of Standards in 1943. This example is in a little better grade than the other one, though both appear well used (as they should look!). There are Laurel Medals of 1943 among other important World War II issues.

The coins are mostly in choice grade, including rare proof pieces and the run of coinage by date of Spanish-Philippine and under the United States as a territory, later the Commonwealth.

Another personal request: A few weeks ago someone wrote and asked me for scans of some 1898 military P.X. chits, and that letter has escaped from my computer (probably because of my pushing some wrong button which I'm so good at). It might have been Gary Arva. If it was Gary, or anyone else I don't remember, please notify me either at nelsshaf@aol.com or through the Gram. Sorry about this! Thanks much.

Neil Shafer

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SPECIAL SUMMER SEMINAR ISSUE

All Festers and MPCGram readers:

Important Scholarship Bulletin

We need your ANA military class scholarship applications.

As of the February 25th deadline, we have only received two applications.

We emailed the ANA and they have received no applications from non-Festers. We want the military class to be a go so we will accept applications until March 7th. You may email them to us at [HYPERLINK "mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net"ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net).

Thanks to the many generous donations we have received and the 2011 Fest auction, we can give out up to 4 scholarships to qualified applicants. The scholarship covers the class, food and dorm (\$948 value). You are only responsible for your travel expenses. Please take advantage of this opportunity to take a great, fun-filled educational class taught by Fred and Joe.

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United States of America

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Submitting an Application: To apply for a scholarship please submit the following information to Military Numismatists Scholarship, c/o Dan or Kathy Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744, U.S.A. or HYPERLINK "mailto:ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net" ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net

Name

Address

Phone Number

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Numismatic clubs which you participate in (include leadership positions held).

Significant numismatic exhibits (and awards.)

Significant numismatic articles (and awards.)

Explain your interest in military numismatics.

What do you hope to gain from attending this seminar?

Describe contributions you can make to the success of the class.

The information you provide in your application is the ONLY information the reviewers will consider in awarding applications. Scholarships will not be awarded simply because funding is available. You must submit a quality application to be seriously considered. This is a highly competitive program. Applications will be judged by an impartial committee. All decisions of the committee will be final.

Recipients are requested to volunteer for service to future scholarship programs and are expected to write at least one report of the experience for publication in a numismatic journal. Award of a scholarship includes the likelihood of publishing your name and some general background information.

Please have applications in the hands of the Freelanders by February 25th, 2012. For applicants outside the US requiring invitations for visas, please coordinate your needs with the scholarship chairman early.

A list of donors is maintained within the "MPC Gram" military numismatics electronic newsletter. For a free subscription please e-mail [HYPERLINK "mailto:" MPCGram@yahoo.com](mailto:MPCGram@yahoo.com). Every attempt will be made to include donor lists in published articles about the scholarship.

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It would be a shame to have two scholarships go to waste and even a bigger shame not to be able to conduct the Military Course if there are not enough to fill the class requirements.

Many people have made generous donations to afford collectors the opportunity to spend a week in Colorado learning more about their hobby.

I was fortunate enough to have gone in 2011 and I very much enjoyed not only the class but the whole ANA experience and was able to make some new hobby contacts.

The scholarship gets you three hots and a cot; all you have to do is get there. So if you were thinking about going and were on the fence, jump off, and make you application. It is very worthwhile.

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Camp Jordan Arena

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Emailpikegk@aol.com

Show Info:www.tsns.org

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American Legion Hall

3245 North 124th Street

Brookfield, WI

Adult Admission \$1

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Wyndham Hotel, Milwaukee, WI March 29-31

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Show Info: Walter Weis

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Schaumburg, IL

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April 18 (PNG Day) 19 - 21, 2012

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Rather than reinvent the wheel on Currency Control, I suggest you republish Jim Downey's article from 2008 (Gram 1657).

His article came across 'garbled' when first published. Here is a clean copy I reconstructed. I have a few things I can add in a later submission.

Thanks to Jim and to Tony James for sending me information and pictures on the currency control books. (Images attached - type two book - [see the website - Ed.]).

David Klinger

Currency Control,

by Jim Downey

Currency Control Books were the first attempt to rein in the black market in the European Theater after WWII. Here is the history of currency control in Europe courtesy of the Office of Chief Historian -- European Command from 1947 as found in The First Year -- Part V, Occupation Forces in Europe Series 1945-1946.

Several factors led to the conditions that necessitated currency control. One was the great depreciation of most European currencies, and especially the German mark. Another was the very active German black

market. In combat there were always chances for the unscrupulous soldier to enrich himself at the government's expense. Thus, there was always the necessity for measures to prevent the soldier with large quantities of almost worthless currency from changing it into dollars at the artificial rate which the Army had set up between the dollar and European currencies.

A definite limit was set to remittances to the United States in the provision that no person could exceed in any month that month's pay and allowances plus 10 percent, and for the first time it was clearly stated that only money derived from pay and allowances was eligible for remittances.

At the end of August [1945] the G-1 Division proposed a more drastic form of currency control. This was the currency control book system, whereby all pay and allowances, and cash derived from dollar instruments, were entered on a permanent record, and purchases of dollar instruments were entered on the debit side of this record. This suggestion, approved by the Theater Commander, was forwarded to the War Department.

Meanwhile, the Theater Commander proposed to give men in Theater who had saved money and were redeployed a chance to get it home before the system mentioned above went into effect. For the month of October [1945] all restrictions on the amount of money that could be sent home were lifted. This action was not concurred in by the War Department, but it had gone into effect by the time the opinion of the Department was received in the Theater.

Use of the Currency Exchange Control Book became effective 10 November 1945. The book consisted of a single sheet of paper folded over to make four pages. The inside pages were divided into nine columns, in which entries were to be made . . . The chief structural defects of the book were that it was too flimsy to bear hard use, and consequently had to be kept for the most part in company offices rather than on the owner's person, and that in the authentication column, there was space only for initials, which could easily be forged.

The Fiscal Director's Office almost immediately reported the following defect to the Director: an individual could send his whole pay home and live in the Theater on black-market profits. To prevent this, it was suggested that the cost of meals in messes should be deducted from officer's pay at the source instead of being charged in cash, and that purchases at official installations should be deducted from the currency control book if amounting over two dollars.

Many minor infringements occurred at first. Men were sent on leave without books, or had money changed while on leave without entries being made. Ports and reinforcement depots neglected to issue books or

certificates of exchange for currency. Cases occurred of grossly excessive initial declarations being approved without question.

Two months after the introduction of the Currency Control Book it was felt that the system should be revised. Major commands were instructed to make suggestions to be incorporated in a contemplated second circular. The following changes were proposed: a much stouter book which could be retained by the individual; serial numbering of books; space for a full signature in the last column to prevent forgery; and entry in the appropriate debit column of all expenditures in official installations, if over fifty cents. But meanwhile the War Department had also got its currency control plans under way, and this Theater circular, although issued in April [1946], never went into effect.

In February [1946] the War Department announced to the Theater that the Treasury was recommending the introduction of a military scrip. The plan, as then announced, included the most important feature of the final scrip system, namely that the scrip, which would be issued as pay accepted at all Army installations, could be changed into local currency but could not be obtained in exchange for local currency under any circumstances. The Theater Fiscal Director's Office had independently come to the conclusion that introduction of scrip was desirable. Although the Office of Military Government opposed the plan, a message was sent in early April to the War Department to the effect that the Theater recommended the use of scrip. A conference held in Washington on 22 April 1946 finally decided in favor of this form of money.

In May [1946] the authorities in the British Zone announced the forthcoming introduction of a similar system. This led to rumors of like action in the United States Zone and also a clear view of one of the problems that would be involved, one concerning persons in the zone not paid from United States official sources. Either introduction of scrip must be announced in advance, or such people must be given time to get dollar currency to exchange for scrip. To meet this problem, the inoperative circular that had been issued in April was reissued, with an extra paragraph directing all such persons to arrange for dollar backing of their marks by 1 August. International agreements securing this backing were almost complete by that date. Meanwhile, the War Department felt that too much money was getting out of the Theater through the unrestricted sale of postage stamps, and a circular was issued regulating this. Just before the actual introduction

of scrip, all Currency Control Books were inspected and any holdings in them not backed by actual holdings of currency were canceled in the column showing balance.

In Japan an experiment was being carried out to test the reaction of the soldier to a non-reconvertible foreign currency. A type of military yen which had never gone into use was introduced in military installations,

and issued as pay, and ordinary yen could no longer be converted into this or spent in messes or post exchanges. At the same time the scrip itself was being printed in the United States. The Theater was alarmed at the delay that the experiment would entail, but was reassured by news that it would be possible to introduce scrip by 15 September. The extra time, it was claimed, would be well spent on making the scrip as good and forgery-proof as possible.

On 12 September 1946 the TOP SECRET classification on the proposed date of the scheme was lifted, and the next day, under the protection of a moratorium which closed all official installations for three days, conversion began.

There was little informed hostile criticism of the scheme. In Germany it was accepted with sorrowful resignation, and in France, where there was something to spend black-market profits on, with comparative calm. The total amount handed in for exchange was eventually estimated at about \$59,000,000.

In September Theater Headquarters was asking Military Government to issue a law prohibiting the possession by Germans of Military Payment Certificates, but the law was not passed until January 1947. In Berlin a local ordinance to the same effect was opposed in the Allied Kommandatura by the Soviet representative.

The main difference between the British and American scrip system was in the method of their introduction. The British authorities announced their scheme two months ahead, while one of the most important features of the American scheme was its secrecy. The reason for this lay in the differences in the earlier currency control in the two zones. While the amount that could be exchanged in the United States Zone was limited by the entry in the Currency Control Book, only the amount of the last pay drawn might be exchanged in the British Zone. As this was only one week's pay, it was felt that imposition of so small a limit without warning would be unfair. The only other difference in the systems was that, in certain circumstances, re-exchange from marks into scrip was permitted by the British.

In Berlin District, from the beginning of August to the introduction of scrip, a validating coupon system was in use. The peculiarity of this system was that coupons were not used as a substitute for cash, but were surrendered along with cash. Coupon books were deducted from the Currency Control Book, and if unused might be restored to it. In Munich the same system was used, but with less good results since there were installations near by which were not affected by the system. In Berlin all the United States installations accessible to the whole command were controlled by the parallel action of Berlin District and the Office of Military Government. The disadvantage of this system was that the labor involved in accounting for coupons was almost as great as for cash. In a

small area this might not matter, but it was a final argument against introducing the system throughout the Theater.

[Related to the Currency Control discussion, Dave Klinger sent in the following "nugget" from EUCOM history - Ed.]

Chapter IV

1 January 1947-15 March 1947

1. Ban on the Importation of Cigarettes.

A recommendation that the importation of cigarettes into Germany by persons or agencies other than post exchanges be prohibited by Theater directive was submitted on 26 December 1946 by a Military Government committee appointed by General Clay. (1) The recommendation of another committee that cigarettes be eliminated as items of exchange at the Berlin Barter Market already had been approved and went into effect on 1 January 1947. The Berlin Barter Market , opened on 10 August 1946, and the one at Frankfurt, opened on 14 October 1946, were stores for the exchange of goods of all kinds among the Germans and members of the occupation forces(2). A.J. Rockwell, member of the investigating committee and chief of the OMGUS legal division, said that there was a legal basis for the ban on cigarettes because cigarettes were being introduced as a form of money. He held that the ruling that no person could have in his possession more than one dollar United States currency constituted a precedent with respect to the prohibition of money imports. The ban on importation of cigarettes became effective on 9 June 1947. [re-typed as it would not copy - Ed.]

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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During WW II, Thailand was an axis-aligned government. States from two neighboring countries, which were originally part of Thailand, were annexed in 1943. What currency issue was involved?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Who, or what, were "Netaji"?

ANSWER:

Netaji was the title Like "Fuehrer" of Subhas Chandra Bose, leader of the Indian National Army and Azad Hind Movement. Chalo Delhi!

Herb Friedman

ANSWER:

Netaji is Hindi for Respected Leader and was the what Subhas Chandra Bose, leader of the Indian National Army, was called.

Myers

ANSWER:

'Netaji' was the honorific Hindi title accorded to Subhash Chandra Bose who led a WW II Independence movement, in exile, against the British occupation of India. While in exile he formed the Azad Hind Government (Free India Government) and the Indian National Army which was allied with the Axis forces during WW II. Banknotes, coins, Military awards and postage stamps were prepared but never issued.

Brent Arthurson

IBNS Perth Chapter

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EDITORIAL

The last few questions posed in the Championship Question Corner have had responses from a number of different readers. That's a good thing and I want to thank those who have written in. I think this feature gives everyone a chance to go into S/B to find the answer, unless, of course, you already know the answer. To make things more interesting, I try to find some obscure/lesser know information for the questions. Today's is a perfect example. It's in the book and it is the first time I have ever read this particular page although I have been past it a number of times to get to the information on the next page.

With the Fest coming up soon (more on that in Wednesday's Gram) I wonder if our March Madness coordinator and question writer, Jim Downey, is doing the same thing. I have it a little easier in that I know what the

answer is going to be before I ask the question and do not have to come up with three or four other choices.

Thanks again to those who have written in with answers. Why not try writing in with a question and have me go find the correct answer. I need to practice too.

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Dear Editor,

I have been searching for a while for two military banknotes; Japant Island Five Cent (or any other denomination) and the Midway Island Ten Goonies (Or any other denomination again, but i don't think they exist). While searching online i found the following website/link with the two notes im looking for:

<http://www.papermoneyworld.net/grams/1200-1299/MPCGram%201252.txt>

34 Japant Island Five cent (1950) used at Eniwetok atomic test site. EF. Tough \$45.00

35 Midway Island Ten Goonies. The Land of Sand and

Scaevola. Possibly used in military exercise or as canteen money. Scarce \$40.00

I have never used this website before, but seen several email addresses, so i have decided to email everyone i thought would be relevant. Please could anybody help point me in the right direction to obtain/buy the two banknotes? Does anyone who i've emailed own the banknotes or able to acquire them? Please email back. Thank you.

Best Regards

Ash Buck

Dear Editor and Ash Buck,

Well, as you can see the notes exist. The estimates in that auction were conservative - here is what the notes actually realized:

lot 34, Japtan Island 5c - \$85 on the \$45 estimate

lot 35, Midway 10 goonies - \$140 on the \$40 estimate

I don't know who bought them in 2005, nor where you might find similar notes today. As the catalog said, they are scarce. I paid \$130 for the 5c piece I had, bought sometime before 1981, and sold it for the same \$130 in 2010. I also had a 10c piece that was over 15% missing, bought for \$20.40 in 1981 and sold for \$25 in 1990. I thought I had more than two, but that's all I can find in my records.

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Dear Gram,

I found the attached photo ["Granite State Harley-Davidson"- go to the website - Ed.] very interesting and thought it might be nice for the Gram.

Harold Kroll

Dear Editor,

ZIPPO LIGHTERS

I recently obtained a key chain (missing the part that the keys attach to) that has a 1942 cent attached to it. The cent is in a metal frame that is inscribed "the CENT never spent to repair a ZIPPO lighter". Of course I wondered if the key chain was produced during World War II. What I found out was that during the war Zippo ceased production of lighters for the consumer market and dedicated all of its manufacturing to the US military. They produced a steel-case light with a black crackle finish that was carried into war by millions of military personnel. This helped Zippo become an American icon. The Zippo plant was at full production to meet the military demand and this made Zippo a financially strong and

viable company. The first Zippo non-lighter product was a pocket tape measure in 1962 and then other items were released after that including the key chain I have. Research revealed it is called a capped coin, not an encased coin. At the time I obtained the above key chain I also found a Zippo capped cent missing the key chain dated 1955 and a E-bay search revealed Zippo capped cents dated 1962-D, 1968 and 1969. The key chain is from the 1960s and I was lucky to find one with a 1942 cent in it. It is like the irradiated dimes that have been discussed in the gram before in that they contain coins from the World War II era but were manufactured after the war. It has a spot in my collection.

Myers

Dear Editor,

While based at Fort Bliss in 1962-63 I met a GI who was in the European theater and I was trading him foreign fdc's and stamps for German relics, flags, etc. When he ran out of relics he brought out a cache of high value mintUS postage stamps and asked if I was interested? Of course I was. Rather clever indeed.

Cheers,

Colin

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Donn Cuson

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Fest Auction,

by Larry Smulczenski

It is just two months before we make our annual pilgrimage to the Holyland of MPC--PC, Ohio. This is the thirteenth time that this event will occur but it seems like only yesterday that 12 wise men from far flung regions gathered for the first time in a humble, tiny motel room to heap praise on a fairly obscure currency issue in which all had a common interest. The bed in that room was dismantled and stacked against the wall so that folding chairs could be placed in front of the small oracle that was used to display presentations of great inspiration. Loaves and fishes were available for sustenance close-by at the Jolly Roger. The unanimous decision at the end of that experience was that all would return annually bringing with them others that had similar interests.

Well, the advertisement for a certain product says it best "We've come a long way, baby!" The quarters are remarkably superior, the attendance has increased each year, the information that is presented is fantastic, the camaraderie is unending and the enjoyment simply unbelievable. What more can I say to introduce my pitch and plea for items for the Fest Auction.

The auction is one of the last events to occur at the Fest each year. The money realized from auctioning donated items goes directly to the Scholarship Fund to help defray the cost of attending the ANA Summer Seminar by folks interested in the study of Military Currency. Over the years, this has helped 36 people attend this worthwhile event. If anyone in the Gram audience would like to help provide items for the auction, please send me an email with a short two or three line description of the item and what you feel we should list as an opening bid. But please don't wait until the last minute. Yes, we still have some time before the Fest, but these projects cannot be done over night, it takes time to put this all together, typed and printed. So I ask you to do it now!!! Send me an email to skitex@yahoo.com listing the items. Then bring the items to me at the Fest. If you are not coming to the Fest but have something to donate, let me know so we can work it out.

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Galapagos Islands and WW II,

by Bill and Kathy Myers

Kathy and I recently returned from a trip to the Galapagos Islands. We saw a lot of interesting wildlife but since that has nothing to do with Military Numismatics we will not go on about that. There is a WWII connection with our trip. We flew out of the Baltra Airport when we left. The description of Ecuador's involvement in WW II is below and will clarify the connection.

Ecuador is located on the western coast of South America and on the north is bordered by Columbia and on the east and south by Peru. The strategic location of Ecuador and its possession of the Galapagos Islands made it important to the United States during the war. The Galapagos Islands were important as they were 1000 miles from the Panama Canal and were an excellent location for forward defense of the canal as well as a staging area for the enemy to launch an attack. In 1941 Ecuador was at war with Peru when disputed and sovereign territory was invaded by Peru. The United States could not tolerate instability in the area so in 1942 it pressured Ecuador to sign the Rio Protocol and end the war. Ecuador did support the Allied war effort by allowing the United States to establish a base at Salinas on the coast of Ecuador and on Baltra (also known as South Seymour Island), one of the Galapagos Islands. The latter served as a base for air crew to patrol the Pacific in search of enemy submarines and to provide protection for the Panama Canal. Ecuador did deport 188 Axis Nationals to the United States in April 1942. Ecuador did finally declare war on Germany 2 February 1945.

We took pictures of the airport and compared them to WWII pictures of the airport but we were not able to determine if any of the structures were from the WWII era.

Myers

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A Story of a Soldier Told Through Short Snorter Banknotes,

by Anil Bohora

I have got a set of 4 short snorter banknotes a few days ago. Below is what I could decipher till date. I thought it will be great to share this info with the readers of MPC Gram & see if any other readers can provide any additional information. The scans of the banknotes are attached.

[Images are on the website - Ed.]

Banknote 1: Algeria 5 Francs dated 16.11.1942 Issued by Allied Occupation Forces (P-91)

Date: November 30, 1943

Value Identified As: 5 Francs = \$0.10

Text: Received in Oran, Africa Nov 30, 1943 at Marignan (Name of Caf)
(Joes Place)

Signatures/People Named:

* Cpl. Carl E. Solarz

* Pvt. George Costello, May be: S/N: 36904756, Unit: 16 INF 1 DIV, State: IL, Date of Death: 2/20/1945, Decorations: PH

* Cpl. Donald Smith

* Cpl. Julio Montesino

* Cpl. R. C. Hole

* Cpl. N. P. Graham

Banknote 2: Algeria 20 Francs dated 3.12.1942 (P-78c)

Date: December 5, 1943

Value Identified As: 4,191 Francs = \$83.52

Text: Received in first payment arrives December 5, 1943 in North Africa.

Signatures/People Named:

* Ray Stapleton

* Stanley Pietak or Pietrak

* N. N. Nilson

- * Jack Sordon
- * Albert Flluidelor (???)
- * Lifaut (???)
- * Back of banknote
- * Big. Ed Westburg
- * ?/? Som Huther
- * a. J. Delisle Jerfos
- * Ray Alston
- * K. C. Mo

Banknote 3: Great Britain, British Military Authority, 2 Shillings 6 Pence Issued in 1943 (P-M3)

Date: January 26, 1944

Value Identified As: None

Text: Exchanged with British sailor (Jones) in Port of Aden, Arabia At Arabia 1/26/44

Signatures/People Named:

- * None

Banknote 4: India, 1 Rupee 1940 (P-25a)

Date: February 1, 1944

Value Identified As: 1 Rupee = \$0.32

Text: Received in first pay at Bombay, India. Feb. 1, 1944

Signatures/People Named:

- * None

It is very interesting to try to trace the journey & try to understand the people through these banknotes.

Thank you for all your help.

CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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We all know that Chief Hollow Horn Bear is the vignette depicted on the Series 692 ten dollar MPC note, but, who can tell us what his tribe was?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

During WW II, Thailand was an axis-aligned government. States from two neighboring countries, which were originally part of Thailand, were annexed in 1943. What currency issue was involved?

ANSWER:

Thailand annexed two Shan states of Burma and four unfederated Malay states and coins (1, 5, 10 sen) and notes were prepared for the Malay border region but never released. The notes were revalued and used after the war as 50 baht notes.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

Our lead feature today, as you see, is Ski's request for Fest auction items.

Last week the Fellers asked for submissions for the Fest presentation series. CPMX starts tomorrow so how far away can the Fest be? Well it's about seven weeks and as I get older the time seems to go by faster and before we know it we will be in Ohio getting together for our annual meeting. Our Battalion Clerk has assured me that a Training Schedule is forthcoming and I hope to have it published as soon as I get back from CPMX. If you haven't called Headquarters to make your reservation, now is the time.

We also have a nice feature by the Myers on the Galapagos Islands and the military base there. Ecuador is not mentioned in Remembered because there are no known WW II military numismatic issues. I do wonder what form of currency was used on the base. In the absence of a special issue, I would think US dollars or Sucres would have been used.

As an aside, issues from 1939 on (Pick 91 through 97) bear beautiful vignettes by the American Bank Note Company.

Our third feature concerns short snorters on Algerian, BMA and Indian notes. The images are on the website and hopefully they are detailed enough so our readers can provide a little input.

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Dear Editor,

I would like to find out if anyone knows of any publications that may contain information on Military Club scrip/chits (Not Metal tokens) specifically for Okinawa military clubs. I am attempting to collect them, but they appear to be quite scarce, I have only a few in my collection and have actually only seen one other in a photo. Considering we had many different bases on Okinawa for a long time I would have thought that there would be more around.

Thanks

Donn Cuson

[Okay all you chitheads - here's your chance - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

It is to inform you that there is one new Rs.1000.00 issued on 28 Feb., 2012 as usual size and design. Only signature is different. Sign#19, Dr. Yuba Raj Khatiwada and prefix is Ga/71 - Gha/80.

Image is attached. [Go to the website to see the note - Ed.]

If you are interested, please let me know.

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The first couple of days of this years show were busy. Thursday is set-up day and by virtue of the IBNS table we were able to get in early and get things going. One of the first things I wanted to do was have a Greek note with an over-stamp translated. I had picked up the note a while ago and could not determine what the stamp said. I had hoped it was related WW II since the note was one used by the Germans during the Greek occupation. A little searching found Chicago area dealer John Frantzis, who, after looking at the stamp, informed me it was an advertisement for a food market and had nothing to do with the war. So much for a great find. John asked me what I collected. My answer resulted in three new pieces of Italian occupation currency for Grecia and Isole Jonie and two hole cancelled Greek notes used as emergency issue. Both with bank cancellations.

At Keith Baumans table I found five mark series 1948 with a nice B over-stamp and an even nicer five mark Deutsche Lander currency reform issue. Keith also had an number of Polish war era notes which were over-stamped with Stars of David for use in the Ghetto. There is always a question with over-stamps. Most of the notes were in XF condition or better and the stamps were bright and clean. What caught my attention were three of the notes with the over-stamp in exactly the same place on the note. To me they look fake, but the final word was left with Joe (who looked at them today) and pronounced them as fake and promptly added a couple to his collection. Examples, I am told, will be at Fest.

We went to the Knight World auction where I had an interest in the hotel chits from Fiji. There were five lots. The first was a 1d from the Club Hotel (250/500) that sold for \$600; next was a block of four 6d chits from the Grand Pacific Hotel, SB 1453, (500/750) that sold for \$300; the third lot was a 3d chit from the McDonalds Hotel (can I get fries with that) that sold for \$500; the fourth lot was another 1d chit, also from McDonalds Hotel, SB 1481?, that sold for \$375 and the last lot, another 1d from Morris, Hedstrom, SB 1501, went for \$200. The estimates for the last three lots was also in the 250/500 range. I am familiar with the Grand Pacific Hotel, but had not seen the others before. A 2/6 chit from the Peveil Internment Camp, C5385a/IM144a (500/750) came up a little later and the final price on that beauty was \$450. There were a few other lots of interest and you can go to Lyns website for details. I managed to raise my paddle once, but it was all to no avail.

Today it was busy on the floor. I spent most of the day at the table and walking the bourse.

We managed to sign up a couple of new Gramsters. John Riley (see todays question) had an irradiated Mercury dime (from 1944 no less) which is now part of my collection. Brian Giese had never seen one and that prompted a discussion. John also had a bracelet of Australian coins fashioned into a

piece of trench art. One side of one of the coins was engraved Moriotai Isl 1945 Morotai is in the Dutch Indies and was a staging point for air strikes on the Philippines. With the bracelet were three loose Australian coins and a military cap device. In the absence of our Battalion Clerk a phone call was made and the bracelet and associate items will eventually wind up in Port Clinton.

Bob Olson, Joe Boling, Brian Giese and I decided to make the deep dish pizza event on Saturday since Joe and Brian had an interest in some US notes in tonight auction.

To be continued

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South America, Remembered and Coins of Ecuador,

By Bill Myers

Most of the countries of Central and South America are not included in World War II Remembered but they were all effected by WWII in some way and for many this involved the monetary system. The coinage was usually affected, but there are some changes in paper money as well. I have given this information to Fred to study and I have managed to collect most of the coin issues. I have also started collecting some of the notes. Since I had mentioned Ecuador recently in the Gram, I am attaching the changes in the coins that occurred. I have not been able to locate any numismatic items from the US airbase at Baltra. I did ask the naturalist on the trip about it, as he was a native of the Galapagos, and he knew of none. Myers

Coinage of Ecuador

The alloy for the 5, 10 and 20 centavos coins was changed to brass from nickel, as the latter was critical for the manufacture of war materiel. The obverse features the Ecuadorian crest and date, the reverse features the denomination surrounded by branches. The 1942 coins were minted in Philadelphia and do not bear a mintmark. The 1944 coins were minted in Denver and bear the D mintmark on the reverse at the top between the ends of the branches.

centavos description mintage

5 16 mm brass crest, date;

rx. 5 centavos between branches

a.1942(p) 2,000,000

b.1944D 3,000,000
10 19 mm brass crest, 1942;
rx. 10 centavos between branches 1942 5,000,000
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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

Disney Certificates, issued to the parents of newborns who bought bonds, were part of the Bond and Victory drives toward the end and after World War II. Counterfeits and copies are known to exist. What is one way to determine if a certificate is legitimate and not a copy?

The Disney Certificate question is prompted by a discussion today with John Riley who brought one to CPMX and wanted more information and offered the piece for sale. If you have an interest, John can be reached at johnrriley@yahoo.com.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

We all know that Chief Hollow Horn Bear is the vignette depicted on the Series 692 ten dollar MPC note, but, who can tell us what his tribe was?

ANSWER:

Chief Hollow Horn Bear was a Sioux Indian. He also appears on a 14 cent US stamp. Dave Frank

ANSWER:

By the headdress he is wearing; they are different for each tribe.

Myers.

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EDITORIAL

There was a lot of discussion today about Fest XIII. A number of show participants who came to the table had questions about the schedule and the events. I am aware that Monday, 8 May, has been designated as the Fest Fishing Trip. There is, of course, the Fest Banquet at Big Boppers on Thursday followed by the annual bowling tournament. Friday is the bourse and Saturday is set aside for presentations. The auction will take place on Sunday morning. We await other news, so stay tuned.

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Dear Esteemed Editor,

During WWII, Thailand also annexed two or three of the Western provinces of Cambodia. I have been working a LOT of hours on my next catalog, which will describe all of the financial instruments of Cambodia from the 16th century to date. Since I returned to the USA in December, I have been digging in the Daniel "Black Hole" and finding lots of good stuff which is not in the major catalogs.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

Okinawa chits are listed in the IBNS's second volume for Japan (vol 4B) in their short-lived world catalog series (vol 4B was the last one published). It's available from the IBNS pubs manager in St Louis for something around \$20. Chits of six Okinawa issuers are listed. A comprehensive article on chits used in Japan is in preparation by John Kallman for the IBNS Journal. The editor tells me he will have it ready for the next number (vol 51 #2). If I count them right, nine issuers are represented from Okinawa in that manuscript.

Donn Cuson obviously should be joining the IBNS.

I don't find Anil Bohara's short snorter on the website.

Joe Boling

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CPMX Report

Conclusion

Saturday morning was busy and my big find of the day, in fact for the show, was a piece of Bordanweisung from the D.SS. Bremen for voyage 152. The voyage date is 1 Oktober 1937 and the value is RM.1. There is a fold, but overall the note has a nice appearance and is the first of the type that I have been able to add to my collection. (see SB page 487)

The first meeting of the day was that of the Chicago Coin Club and Neil Shafer presented a talk on Clearing House Scrip and the Bank Panics of the late 18th and early 19th centuries which will be the subject of his upcoming book on the subject. All forty seven attendees received a

souvenir card depicting a Chicago Clearing House Association check from 1907 which coincided with the subject of the talk.

The club meeting was followed by the IBNS meeting where Jim Downey gave presentation on USDA FGood Stamp Coupons (1939 - 2002). The coupons, once not legal for collectors to possess, became legitimate collectibles in 2009 and are currently non-redeemable. The first issue, 1939-1943, has a World War II connection in that they were used in conjunction with rationing.

With some time left in the hour, a small Minifest was held and all twelve attendees were up to the challenge and produced their coins. It is of special note to report that Fester Danny Spungen had his coin in his possession and was the first to meet the challenge. There was no special pay, however, show-and-tell items were produced. Joe Boling explained the Hungarian/Polish note forgeries with the star of David over-stamps as mentioned prior. Other items included a forged and legitimate 100 Yuan set of current notes from China; a token from Stalag XXA, located in Torun, Poland, good for one glass of beer; a series of vignettes, one autographed by engraver GFC Smille, of images used on MPC notes and I had to show off my Bordanweisung note. And, thanks to Julie Frank, some of us were provided with a little Minifest dessert in the form of a homemade banana cake, which, by the way, was quite good.

The Midwest chapter of the IBNS annually produces a souvenir card for the show, and this year's issues, the 17th in the series, commemorates the 18th CPMX show and the 20th anniversary of the breakup of Yugoslavia. A 100 dinar note from Yugoslavia (P-80) is attached to the card.

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Galapagos Chits,

by Larry Smulczenski

I read with envied interest Bill Myers' article in the Gram about his exciting trip to the Galapagos Islands. I have always wanted to go there and after reading the Gram article, emailed Bill to tell that there was indeed a numismatic connection to his story that he may not have known about. He answered and said that we should let the rest of the Gramsters hear about this connection. So here we go.

Many, many years ago I bought a group of chits, I believe from a good friend that usually brings me a little envelope of chits each year at the Memphis show. This little envelope is very similar to the "magic briefcase" that the editor runs into at shows. The little envelope is chock full of

interesting chits from far flung parts of the world. Very seldom do I have any of the items and usually end up taking them all home after I part with a couple of "Franklins", but well worth every penny. Many of these new found possessions are very difficult to identify as to location and time period. In fact I currently have four pages of chits (about 50 total) that I have not attributed to firm locations.

Quite a while ago, the envelope contained a set of four chits from a place called Beta Base. All that was printed on the chit was Beta Base Exchange, the value, the SN and "not good if detached". One of the values was "2 cents" which is a very unusual value. The other three were normal 1, 5 and 10 cent values. Included is a scan of the four chits. I could not find a location anywhere. Remember, this was a long time ago, probably sometime in the eighties when the Internet was not as sophisticated as it is now. Someone told me there was a secret base out in the Pacific off of South America that was known as Beta. Well, as time went on, we finally pinpointed it to the Galapagos and South Seymour and Baltra as Bill has described. Beta was a joint use Army Air Force and Navy facility that was constructed to prevent attacks on the Panama Canal. Today you can find a number of references to Beta Base on the Internet. So there is the numismatic connection to the Galapagos Islands and Bill Myers' story.

By the way, in that same little envelope was a set of chits only identified as Gale Post Exchange. They still remain on that unattributed page. Try typing that into Google Search. You will get a lot of people named Gale or Gail, accounts of numerous storms but I have not found an Army Post that was named, code-named, or referred to as Gale. Any thoughts?

CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Where were members of "General de Gaulle's Legions" originally from?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Disney Certificates, issued to the parents of newborns who bought bonds, were part of the Bond and Victory drives toward the end and after World

War II. Counterfeits and copies are known to exist. What is one way to determine if a certificate is legitimate and not a copy?

ANSWER:

The original certificates have the watermark of the eagle from the Great Seal of the United States.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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It was another great CPMX Show. Krause Publications did another fine job in putting it all together. It rivals other larger shows in it's organization and events. I had been looking forward to going and I was certainly not disappointed. I found some great items and truly enjoyed the fellowship.

Thanks to all who attended. And for the gastronomes among our readers, this years choice for deep dish was pineapple and canadian bacon and, of course, it was good!

Larry mentioned the "magic briefcase" and I was remiss in not reporting that one of the first people I met at the show was Neil Shafer, and yes, he did have the case, and yes there were two items contained therein which are now safely tucked away in my collection. One item is a 50 kurus note rom Turkey that is in poor condition. It is not (yet?) listed in Remembered but has a World War II connection. It will be the subject of a Gram article in the near future.

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Dear Editor,

Can you supply any additional information on 'Fest Fishing Trip'. How does one go about obtaining an 'Out of State' one day fishing permit/license if one is required and what would be the cost of a permit/license. Also My calendar shows May 8, 2012 as a Tuesday not Monday.

Thanks

Dick Freyser

[Dear Dick - Monday is May 7th not the 8th as I reported. As far as the license information goes, I have to leave that to Fred. I expect a schedule in the near?

future which will contain the information - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

As pointed out by an alert Gramster, I made an error in listing the Ecuador coins, it is 20 centavos, not 25. Myers

Dear Editor,

I could not find the images related to the article "Story of a Solder Told Through Short Snorter Banknotes" on the server at:

<http://photos.papermoneyworld.net/>

So, it will be a great help, if you can please upload them.

Anil Bohora

[Okay - we will try it again - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Thanks for the information on the Okinawa chits. I did join IBNS and did order the book so we will see what information they have.

Donn Cuson

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I found two organizations in my America in WWII magazine that some Gramsters might be interested in investigating for some monetary instruments. They are:

The OSS Society, 6723 Whittier Avenue, #200, McLean, VA 22101,
www.ossociety.org

National Museum of the Pacific War, Fredericksburg, TX,
www.PacificWarMuseum.org

That is it for now.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

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E-mail: kfoley2@wi.rr.com

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Show Contact: Scott Tappa

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Email: scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

Show Info: www.cicfshow.com

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Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email: jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info: www.michigancoinclub.org

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Festers United,

by Fred Schwan

Most of you know my friend Cuneyd Tolek. He is a Gramster and a Fester. Kris Gilmore has been somewhat lower profile, but many of you know her. She too is a Fester and Gramster. The two of them made Fest history a year ago when the former with a great flair proposed (marriage) to the latter at Fest XII. The video has since gone viral on U-tube (I think to date it has had 37 viewings, but you can check that for yourself).

I knew about the pending proposal. Cuneyd had sent me a text message some time before the moment. It was in the time leading up to the Fest so I did not have much time to consider the possible (Fest or other) consequences. When he sent me the text, my response was, "Does that mean that I have to rent a tie?" Not only was this a joke, but I knew that he would know it as such. The very first Christmas that we had known each other we had given each other the exact same ties! They had chess pieces on them and had been purchased at the same mall within hours of each other entirely by chance.

After the proposal, I started pestering the couple to do the deed at the Fest, but they were hesitant. Ultimately, they decided to get married in Toledo on March third at the famous Inverness Country Club. The Port Clinton Holiday Inn Express never had a chance I guess. In the text message telling me about the time and place, Cuneyd also asked me to be the master of ceremonies at the reception. I responded in the affirmative and asked, "Do I need to rent a tie?"

A few days later I received a text asking if I had a suit. That was a warning that I should have taken more seriously. A few days after that the intent was made clear and Cuneyd asked me to be best man at the grand affair. My first thought was of course, can I get into my suit? I had squandered important potential days for dieting by not starting when Cuneyd asked me about the suit.

I accepted the honor and started power dieting at once. I also placed an order with Great Lakes Bank Note Company for a set of wedding notes--the fourth such set in Fest history (can you name the other three couples honored with such notes? Send your answers to the editor.)

With a week to go, I made my first trial at the suit and reviewed the proofs of the notes. Both were close calls. The suit was the bigger problem. No, I guess I was the bigger problem, but I carefully calculated and determined if I planned carefully that I had enough dieting hours remaining before the wedding to get into it. The notes too were on the edge of the scheduling critical path.

As you can imagine, some unexpected challenges got in the way.

The notes were finished with minutes to spare. On the morning of the wedding, I shinned my shoes (a military skill to be sure) and at the very last moment tried the trousers. I was fairly confident with the trousers. I had been able to almost get them on at the trial two weeks earlier. The jacket of course was another matter.

I put the wedding notes and jacket on the back seat allowing a few more hours of dieting before the big moment. We arrived without too much difficulty but in Schwan style were late enough that Cuneyd was worried and called. I carried the notes and coat (there was still an hour of dieting available) into the club.

With ten minutes to go, I slipped the rings into the coat pocket, held my breath (literally) and forced my way into the coat. I did not try to button it. I was happy to get it around my shoulders. I only needed a few more hours of dieting.

The ceremony was quite beautiful with a large proportion of the guests brought to tears. After a little fumbling--accidental I assure you--I found the rings and the deed was done.

You can imagine that I was in the mood for the reception dinner! It was indeed wonderful. I made one uniform change in route (the rooms were adjacent). I changed into the chess tie!

The wedding notes were distributed by the plates with care and my challenge coin was at the ready should I dare.

I was proud to explain to the guests the traditions of the short snorter and the challenge coin. I am sure at this point that the wedding couple felt it coming. Were they up to the task? I should leave that information for part two, but I will not.

I help my challenge coin high. The Boss and Jordan (Cuneyd's son) held their coins high, but what of Mr. and Mrs. Tolek? They looked at each other hopelessly and shrugged their shoulders. The final twist is that all of the drinks were on them anyway!

It was a grand event and I was honored to be able to attend not to mention take part. I look forward to introducing the new couple at the Fest. In the meantime, you can send congratulations to ctolek@yahoo.com.

I can hear the questions about the wedding notes. One hundred notes were printed and issued (25 each of four denominations). At the end of the night I gathered notes left behind. They will be turned over to Dan and Kathy Freeland for sale to benefit the scholarship fund. I suggest to them that with the Fest so near that most of the sale and distribution could be done there. Possibly, some of the notes could be in the auction or possibly the right at first choice could be in the auction. There are plenty of possibilities.

Fest Rooms in Short Supply

Fest room chairman Kim Bartish reports that rooms for the Fest are in short supply. To assure a reservation for MPCFest XIII make your reservation now. Absolutely no rooms will be available after April 3 and there is no guarantee that rooms will be available until then. The late Fest date insures that the hotel will be full. Call the Holiday Inn now. Ask for Kim Bartish 419 732 7322.

The battalion clerk is preparing the training schedule for publication within the week, but has provided the Gram with exclusive advance information important for scheduling. New events that may require longer stays by Festers are:

- 1) The first George Fitzgerald Memorial Golf Tournament on Thursday May 3,
- 2) A field trip to the USS Cod (WWII submarine) on Sunday May 6 and
- 3) A Walleye fishing trip on Monday 7 May.

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Can you name the other three couples honored with wedding notes?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Where were members of "General de Gaulle's Legions" originally from?

ANSWER:

They were Frenchmen on Saint Pierre and Miquelen.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Congratulations to the newlyweds!! I will look forward to wishing them well in person at the Fest. I will also look forward to seeing the pictures of the event, especially one of Fred in a suit, with a tie no less!

The schedule is apparently set with the main events to take place as indicated by our Battalion Clerk. The trip to Cleveland to see the USS Cod is one that has been talked about before but a visit was not possible due to the ship being closed during prior Fests. Google the ship's name and see some photos.

The other vessel in Cleveland is the William G. Mather, a Great Lakes bulk freighter. The William G. Mather Museum is open on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 10am to 5pm in May, September, and October so it may be possible to tour both ships int he same day.

I also want to draw our "chitheads" attention to the first letter in Mail Call which mentions tavern chits and the USS Haven. USS Haven, AH12, was a hospital ship that served in World War II and the Korean War.

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Dear Editor,

I had been researching my Fathers Coral Reef Tavern chits on the web and came across your website. I have my fathers chits that were given to him in 1946 while serving on the USS Haven during Operation Crossroads. This is a packet of six chits stapled together. The staples are rust free, the color is near perfect and the edges are clean. These appear to be in as good of shape as the day he received them. Ive kept them as a memory of my Father, however Ive come to the conclusion that they would be more appreciated in a collection rather than in a box in my closet. I would like to sell them. If this is something you would like to help me with I would be interested in your opinion of the value plus the terms.

Thank you,

Steve Roads

[I have put an image of the chit on the website and have emailed Steve and invited him to subscribe to the Gram. Please forward any interest in the chits to the Gram and I will forward them to Steve - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

A friend of mine is on the board there in Fredericksburg TX. What is a Japanese mini sub doing in the middle of Texas? Also GHW Bush exhibits an da few German restaurants!!!!

<http://www.dallasnews.com/news/state/headlines/20091207-Japanese-mini-sub-surfaces-at-WWII-5317.ece>

Japanese mini-sub surfaces at WWII museum in Hill Country | Texas Regional News - News for Dallas, Texas - The Dallas Morning N

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Florence, Arizona,

by Bill Myers

Kathy and I drove up to the Pinal County Historical Society to attend a lecture entitled Japanese Americans in Arizona during World War II. It was presented by Karen Leong, a professor at Arizona State University. She discussed how Japanese born in Japan, known as Issei, could not own land when they moved to the US and could not become US citizens until 1952. Those Japanese born in the US, known as Nisei, were US citizens and were entitled to the rights of all other US citizens, though during WWII they were denied due process.

Most of the lecture was about what led to the internment of Japanese civilians and how the decision of who would be interned was often arbitrary, such as which side of the street you lived on. There were two internment camps in Arizona. The Gila River Camp was composed of the Butte and Canal Camps and built at a cost of 6 million dollars and had 13,348 internees. The Poston Camp held 17,814 internees. The former was built on the Gila River Indian Reservation and the latter on the Colorado River Indian Tribes Reservation, despite of the protest of the Indians living there.

The Japanese had been very successful at raising crops in the harsh Arizona climate and were expected to raise their own food. They were also paid as laborers and made from \$16 to \$19 a month. The museum itself had an interesting exhibit. A Japanese American, Hawataue Shosaku, had died on June 10, 1943 at 8:15 a.m. at the Gila River Camp. His belongings were packed up and sent to the Florence Court House to hold until a relative picked them up. They were never claimed and were discovered 5 years ago and given to the museum. The items were mostly personal hygiene items like tooth paste, razor, etc.

Florence has another connection to World War II as it was the site of the Florence Prisoner of War Camp. It held over 9,000 prisoners, mostly German and Italians. Later in the war it was used to house troublesome German prisoners. Later, after Italy surrendered, it was used to house Italian POWs from other camps to get them away from the angry German POWs. There was a small exhibit about the POW camp at the museum. It has a letter written by a German POW, souvenir pillow covers, a camp phone directory, ration books and an Armed Forces edition of Selected Poems of Carl Sandburg. The latter was a series of books printed for soldiers and distributed at no charge. As far as the camp, it was torn down and a retirement community now stands on the site. The museum staff said there is still a smoke stack from the camp and the new community center is built on a slab from the camp. I was unable to verify either of these and will have to do that on another trip.

I have copy of the book Camp Florence Days by Ralph A. Storm, who was an MP at the Florence Prisoner of War Camp for 11 months and then sent to the Poston Camp. I have to admit I have not read it yet but when I do I will report on it for the gram.

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Australian Copies of NEI JIM,

If you received the first issue of the IBNS Journal for 2012, you should have seen and read Tony James' article.

The article is quite informative and interesting and adds new information to what we have in Remembered and confirms that copies of NEI JIM was produced in Australia. It also leaves open many questions which will require further research.

If you collect JIM, I highly recommend giving it a look. If you didn't get your copy of the Journal, I can get you one for free - all you have to do is join the IBNS. It's quite easy - just email me and I can get you started.

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Who was Dr. F.L. Tobing and what is his connection to military numismatics?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Can you name the other three couples honored with wedding notes?

ANSWER:

Yes.

Al Glaser

[Technically, Al's answer is correct, however, to be a little more specific, the three couples involved could have been named. I'll give it to him since he has copies of all the commemorative notes - Ed.]

ANSWER:

Ray Feller and Michael McCloskey; Louise and Joe Boling; Judy and David Seelye

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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We have had two replies regarding Steve Roads' Coral Reef Tavern chits.

Steve has requested that any emails which show interest in the chits be forwarded to him. This has been done with a request to Steve that he tells us whether or not they changed hands. Neither the buyer or the cost will be revealed. If there are any more interested parties, please write in and I will get the information over to Steve.

There has been a request made of Headquarters for a listing of all registered Festers and this will appear in the next Gram. I also expect a full Training Schedule to go along with the list.

It appears we are having a problem with getting images over to the website. I spoke with Doug Bell who contacted the website host and all appears to be in order. However, additional attempts to get the Coral Reef Tavern Chits and the short snorter images to copy over have not been successful. We will try to resolve the matter.

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Dear Editor,

[Re: Coral Reef Tavern Chit]

Thank for the reply. If you dont mind forwarding replies to me, that would be fine. Thanks again.

Steve Roads

Dear Editor,

This is a great item. I have a pair just like this that has been torn from the staple. Have had them for years. Got them from Gary Snover in early 90's. Have never seen another one. I would [make an] offer right now.

Larry Smulczenski

Dear Editor,

I may be interested in one or more of the Coral Reef Tavern chits. Please relay my email address militarychits@hotmail.com.

Gary Arva

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I just got the latest edition of Call to Duty in the mail. One page has the headline; Coins Yield \$3,000,000 for Museum. The money comes from the coin's surcharge for the Capital Campaign for the National Museum of the US Army, which is being built at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. I have attached the page, which includes information on how you can order from the museum's limited stock of the 2011 Army Commemorative Coins at www.armyhistory.org.

The Army Historical Foundation started the campaign for the museum and I am a charter member of it. When I discovered there was no Payday Exhibit planned I contacted the museum curators many, many times to have such an exhibit and to make it a rotating exhibit that would also have AMC and MPC in them. After a few years, a newly hired curator contacted me and said he had a Payday exhibit at the Marine Corps' museum down I-95, and was tasked to create one for the Army Museum. I told him to contact the Army Finance Corps Museum at Fort Jackson and arrange for pieces from their collection to be transferred or loaned to his museum. A couple of weeks later, I contacted the Army Finance Corps Museum to alert them to a contact from this curator and I was pleasantly surprised to hear that the curator had already contacted them.

If you have a military museum near you, or you are visiting one, please recommend a Payday Exhibit and that they can likely acquire pieces for it from the Army Finance Corps Museum.

TheMaster Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

Our March list is being prepared just before we leave for 10 days in Arizona and California for some rest and relaxation. Although visiting our 2 and 5 year old grandchildren will probably be neither restful or relaxing but we are looking forward to it. We've only been able to photograph a small portion of the coins thus if you see something priced at \$25 or over that is not photographed please let us know and we will make every effort to send you either a digital image or a scan.

The list is up at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/42c>

Bill Rosenblum

Dear Editor,

It would be useful to see a listing of confirmed reservations for MPCFest XIII.

David Seelye

Dear Editor,

Reading the latest issue of the MPCGram, I must say that I was glad NOT to have been invited to attend the Tolek wedding! Why, you ask?

For the last three MPCFests, I have been the only one to have forgotten my challenge coin at the Thursday Fish Fry and was forced to buy the beverages at the bowling alley afterwards. With an attendance in the neighborhood of about 30 and at least half of them imbibing, it has been an affordable mistake. However, should I have forgotten my challenge coin at the wedding and assuming an attendance of a few hundred, I might not have been able to afford coming to Port Clinton!

Now I can not only afford to attend the 2012 MPCFest, but if I cannot bring my challenge coin again (it is frozen to the side of my igloo that most Canadians live in), I can buy a round or two again this year.

John Regitko

MPC Fester

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Australian Printed JiIM,

by Joe Boling/Kazuya Fujita

Regarding Tony James' article about Australian printings of NEI JIM, Kazuya Fujita has submitted the following to me and asked that it go into the gram (he's been out of town and too busy to get to it). Fujita is determining which genuine notes could have been used as models for the Commonwealth Bank counterfeits - thus which JIM we need to be looking at while searching for the Australian products. Comments within his notes in [brackets] have been added by me for clarification.

Joe

[from Fujita]

I am sure you and the readers of MPC gram will (have) read with interest the article by Tony James in the latest IBNSJ about possible Australian forgeries of NEI JIM. The author poses the question at the end about what series (block number, block letter, or block letter fractional) [were copied by the Australians]. That at least is easy to answer, at least in part: Clearly the block number notes are not involved, they were not printed until mid-1943 (Kumatani interview in Terada, 1987, and van

Gelder, 1988). For the 1, 5, and 10 cent notes, it is very likely that 10 million notes [per block] were printed from the start (they certainly were for the Philippines, ordered in September, 1941, and the same time the first cent denominations were ordered). If so, the quantity circulated of the cent denominations through March 31, 1943, goes to block O for the 1 and 5 cent, and to block AD for the 10 cent. As these Australian reprints were ordered in late 1942, it is unlikely any fractional blocks had been issued (in the Philippines, they appeared in late, 1943). So, the only possible type to be counterfeited are the S + one block letter notes, and likely in the first half of the alphabet.

Since the 1, 5, and 10 cent notes are not watermarked, that distinguishing factor will not work. For the 1/2 gulden, SA and SB were not watermarked, and SC and on were. By March, 1943, blocks through H or I could have been issued, since SA and SB were probably printed in a quantity of only 1 million (SA certainly). So, for the 1/2 gulden, any un-watermarked notes of block SC and higher are suspect - for such a small and quick printing, it would seem unlikely they would have bothered with the watermark, given that SA and SB 1/2 gulden notes didn't have one.

At least that is how I interpret this at this time. I guess you're right - check the watermark of every note!

Kazuya Fujita

CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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Notes of what denominations were used as an emergency local issue in Ivory Coast?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Who was Dr. F.L. Tobing and what is his connection to military numismatics?

ANSWER:

Dr Ferdinand Lumban Tobing was a doctor turned guerilla and later became a minister in Indonesia. He also has an airport named after him.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Today's feature provides more information on NEI JIM produced in Australia. I guess the next step is to gather up all the NEI JIM issues in your collection and sort them out by block number and whether or not they are watermarked. At present only assumption can be made until confirming documentation is discovered.

The item in Colon Bruce's letter looks just like the V Mail forms used by the US in the war. It is a neat looking item and would fit right in with military postal connections.

Those who have registered for the Fest, as per the Holiday Innm have been added to the calendar. The list sent does not include any spouses or significant others. Let me know and I can add the names. It's a pretty good turnout so far. If your name is not on the list, you are not registered

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Colin Bruce

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Japan Navy 1942-43 military airmail return stationery card

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MPCFest Headquarters and the Ottawa County prosecutor have announced that MPCFest 13 announced for May 4-6 has been cancelled. The prosecutor referred all inquiries to the Ottawa County's sheriff's office. Spokesman for the sheriff stated that his office had been monitoring suspicious activity at Camp Leo May for at least the past ten years.

The sheriff elaborated that the investigation had started because of the high number of people entering the county for this event that could only be considered strange. These people engaged in questionable commerce. In this area charges could include security trading without brokerage

license. Evidence relating to counterfeiting has been forwarded to federal officials.

There was ample evidence of gambling. There is evidence of a cash poker game having been conducted on a continuing basis (annually) and an electronic gambling device that accepts a likely illegal money called Harolds.

Finally, the amount of unhealthy food consumed at the event on an absolute or per capita basis is far beyond the limit in the Affordable Health Care Act.

The sheriff reported that the organizer of this event went by the name "battalion clerk" which appears to be some sort of code. Neighbors of this clerk were interviewed and reported that he is a strange person indeed. They said that he comes and goes at odd hours and has no visible means of support. A light in a back room burns nearly all the time and the window to that room is blocked by piles of paper that seem to extend to the ceiling.

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Who was Dr. F.L. Tobing and what is his connection to military numismatics?

ANSWER:

Dr Ferdinand Lumban Tobing was a doctor turned guerilla and later became a minister in Indonesia. He also has an airport named after him.

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EDITORIAL

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Had we been paying attention for the past couple of weeks, we should have guessed something was amiss. In poker and in interrogation there are tells, or clues as to what the other hand contains and what is true and what is made up. There were two tells in this case which we either did not see or did not pay attention to. The first was the lack of a training schedule despite repeated requests and despite repeated statements one was forthcoming in the very near future. The next was the lack of detail in the list of registrants: no spouses or tiger lilies.

This is indeed bad news. Now where are those of us who plan for this yearly event to meet to satisfy our desire, albeit addiction, to military numismatics? Our only hope, tag present, is to plan to meet in Memphis in June to try to salvage the Fest.

For those who have already sent in deposits or full payments, the only recourse seems to lie with the Ottawa County Sheriff's Office, who, it is my understanding, has confiscated all funds and gambling equipment as evidence. Let us hope they are understanding of the plight of the victims here while they continue their search for the so called clerk.

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And this came to us from Joe:

OK, you wanted him to come - when's he going to get to see a training schedule?

Joe Boling

Dear Gram

I have been looking for info re: MPCFest in Port Clinton, and found that it will be held on May 4-6 at Holiday Inn Express, contact Kim Bartish at 419-732-7322. I am thinking of possibly going, but cannot find any information regarding the schedule of events, etc. Could you point me in the right direction? Or, maybe, it's too early and nothing has been established yet? I spoke with Kim at HIE, (the "other" Kim), and she said that reservations should be available for the next few days.

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Greg Fedner

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER:

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By far the rarest emergency issues were the 50 centime, 1 franc, and 2 francs issues of 1943. (These are the yellow and blue "elephant" notes listed in SCWPM as P-6A, 7, 8.

Regards,

Weldon Burson

[Great answer Weldon, thanks - Ed.]

ANSWER:

50 centimes, 1 & 2 francs.

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By now our readers have discovered that the Gram has been hacked and spurious information stating the Fest was off was sent. After an intensive investigation by the Gram staff the perpetrator hacker has been identified

Of course, we cannot reveal the identity of our confidential informant who provided us with the hacker's identity and we must also keep the hacker's name confidential as negotiations for a plea bargain are underway.

This matter will not be dealt with lightly. And, suffice it to say that this will not happen again, well, at least not until next April when it just might again rear its head.

On a serious note, if you plan to come to Fest, or think you might want to come, PLEASE call the Holiday Inn in Port Clinton and make your reservation NOW so as to guarantee a room and a great time. You will not be disappointed. And, yes, a Training Schedule will be out this week.

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Great April Fool's PRANK

J.A. Parker

Dear Editor,

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Harold Kroll

Dear Editor,

And don't forget to set your clocks ahead.

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Dr. Greg Pineda Collection on Auction Block,

by Neil Shafer

As some have already seen elsewhere, Lyn Knight is going to be offering what I consider to be the best collection of Philippine coins and paper money that has ever been assembled. This signal event will take place at the Memphis show on Sunday, June 10. A special catalog is being prepared just for this sale, and it should take a good portion of that day to get through it. This marvelous collection was formed over about 40 years by a Bakersfield CA neurologist, Dr. Greg Pineda, whom I have known for most of that time. In fact, he asked that I do a lot of the write-ups and that's exactly what I am in the midst of right now.

I feel that Gramsters should like to know more about this spectacular Philippinesale because there are most definitely some items that should be of special interest to them. Among those are the Treasury Certificates dated 1936 and 1941 that wererequested by the War Department during WWII. Some of these are very scarce now, and one in particular is among the rarest of them all. It's the 10 pesos dated 1941 that was tumbled around with floor sweepings and assorted dirt to make it resemble a circulated note. A limited number of 1, 5 and 10 pesos were thus treated; while the 1 peso is occasionally found, I know of but a single 5 pesos and only two examples of the 10, both in low grade as would be expected. Pineda's is the better of the two and it will be offeredin the sale.

Another area of more than passing interest is Pineda's coverage of the VICTORY issues and those same notes with the Central Bank overprint added to the backs. This collection hasALL the signature varieties of the very tough 100 and 500 pesos notes, no small feat even many years ago as they just were not saved. Who cold afford to put away a 500-pesonote worth \$250 US just because it was pretty. Some of these are true rarities with so few known.

In general, Pineda's paper money presents a wonderful array of early Spanish-Philippine notes plus his great coverage of the Silver and Treasury Certificates, Philippine National Bank (complete, including the three overprints of 1919), and Bank of the Philippine Islands also complete.

In coins, there is a fabulous group of counter-stamps, high-grade Spanish issues, all the rare proofs of 1903-08, plus a great many Spanish and US issues in extremely choice grades. If you have any interest at all in these series, especially under the US which is so popular today, then this auction is an absolute MUST on your schedule. Anyone planning to be there for this auction should also think of staying overnight Sunday as it may be later than you would want to start home by the time the auction ends.

There is much more to it, but I leave that to you to find out. Even if you don't think you want to buy much, you should at least attend the Memphis convention just so you can get the only chance you'll ever have in your lifetime to actually see such incredible material. See you there!!

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Philippine and WWII Book Collectors,

by Ray Czahor

1. Before I get into the auction details, make sure for Postal Mail to me, please use the following new address:

Cookie Jar Collectibles

PO Box 428

Savage, MD 20763-0428

2. Since I last sent out an email, Lyn Knight Currency Auction announced the sale of the Dr. Greg Pineda collection of Coins, Medals and Currency in conjunction with the Memphis 2012 International Paper Money Show, June 7-10, 2012. Dr. Pineda's collection is virtually complete in Spanish and US/PI issues, both coins and paper money, and in my opinion will be the highlight Philippine Numismatic sale of the last 50 years! The Philippine auction will be held on Sunday, June 10th. At this point it appears that there will be about 300 lots of paper money with many rarities, including 500 Peso Silver Certificate, 1896 complete from 5 to 100 pesos, 1904 complete to the 200 Pesos note, complete Philippine National Bank Notes including the three 1919 black overprints. On coins, there are many rarities, including the 1867 4 Peso Gold, most of the Spanish pattern pieces, and the only 1907 One Peso Proof in private hands. Scarcer and high grade coins will be graded by PCGS. Medals include several of the 1780 Large Gil medals, revolutionary and military medals and the Gold Wilson Medal. Check page 181 in Coin World, April 2, 2012 issue for some illustrations. There will be a separate catalog for the Philippine auction but this is one auction that a Philippine collector must attend!

3. I met with Joel Shafer and Lyn Knight last Thursday at the Baltimore show. Lyn supports the Philippine Collectors Forum and we are projected to meet 1 to 5 PM on Saturday, June 9th before the auction in the Memphis Convention Center or the adjacent hotel. At this point we are planning to have Dr. Pineda talk about how he acquired some of rarities, Neil Shafer who is doing the cataloging of the auction lots will add his observations, and expect to have other presentations. Lyn has thought if there is enough interest, he will have the PCF session videotaped. John Riley who many of you have met at previous PCF meetings, will chair the event. He can be contacted at johnrriley@yahoo.com. To size the room for the PCF meeting, I ask that if you plan to attend, please reply to John and me by emails with name and number of attendees. Please do so in the next month.

4. I plan to assist the sending out the Lyn Knight Philippine auction catalogs to addresses in my database. If you already normally receive Lyn Knight catalogs, please let me know so we don't duplicate mailings which are getting very expensive. Also, of interest to WWII book collectors, I expect to include in the mailings my Mailbid XVII which will list a new offering of 400-500 WWII books --this mailbid though won't close until the middle of July. More details forthcoming.

5.. I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$26. Since Lyman sold the rights for future editions some 16 months ago, there has been no word on availability.

6. I also have available: "History and Mintage Philippine Counter-stamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, M.D. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counter-stamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book. Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate.

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What was one of the things Major General W. Steffens did when his forces were surrounded in Norway during World War II?

[Trying to get un-surrounded doesn't count!]

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Mexico issued circulating checks during the war: first, what were the denominations of these checks and why was there a need for them? And for

extra credit what, if any, was Mexico's military contribution to the war effort?

ANSWER:

Most are 50 centavos but there are 5, 10 and 25 centavos as well. They were due to a shortage of coins, reported to be due to a shortage of silver.

On 30 April 1945 squadron 201, Aztec Eagles, of the Mexican air force arrived in Manila Bay. They had trained in the US for a year and were equipped with P-47 Thunderbolts. The squadron flew 59 missions and logged over 1200 hours of fight time in major bombing missions to Luzon and Formosa. Twenty airmen received US medals for their contribution and eight pilots were killed. The unit received the Philippine Presidential Unit Citation and the Mexican Medal of Valor.

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EDITORIAL

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Today we have two items for identification. First, from John Riley is a piece of B yen with an Ernie Pyle autograph. I did a web search and found some Pyle autographs which look like the one John has on his note. If the note is indeed authentic, it is a great find and a fantastic price.

The second item is a chit book from Stanley Campbell. It appears to be an enlisted man's club somewhere in Germany and all our chithead readers should be able to provide the information requested. Both of the images were sent over to the website and hopefully they arrived and are in good enough shape for study.

Regarding our double feature, I have spoken with Neil and Joel and they are excited about the auction. Dr. Pineda is a recognized authority on Philippine numismatics. For my own part, I am looking forward to the catalog and to being able to see the lots in person in Memphis in June.

To all of our readers, best wishes for a Happy Easter and Passover.

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Dear Editor,

Photos attached [on the website] of a recent junkbox find from the Chicago area - my initial thought was that the Ernie Pyle signature would have had to be a fantasy short snorter on a Supplemental 'B' 20 AM yen - Pyle, the famed war correspondent, was killed in the fighting for Okinawa on 18 APR 1945 and my assumption was that the 'B' series Military Currency didn't appear until the occupation of Japan.

However, a quick check with the good book does indeed indicate usage in the Ryukyus as early as 1 APR 1945, so this may be a good piece. Any thoughts? I recall some discussion that Pyle signatures have been faked.If so, I'm out 75 cents! Shop had no blooming idea of the significance or even who Ernie Pyle was.

These are fun time capsules, the note has the hard folds of having been stashed in a wallet for some time.

John Riley

Dear Editor,

I was wondering if anyone can identify the chit book

(see attached - [actually on the website]).

It says E. M. Service Club CHIT BOOK no. 178, then 45 Marks, coke beer and whiskey etc. printed by K. Trost, Murnau 9.46.3696 (phone number? date?). The chits are in 1/2 mark denominations, three pages, 24 to a page. WW1 or WW2?

Stanley Campbell

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I do not know if it is in WWII Remembered or elsewhere, but I have heard or read somewhere that the Indonesian independence movement against the Dutch after WWII printed more JIM from plates they got from the Japanese. Then they overprinted or over-stamped them to use in liberated areas of Indonesian. If this is not in WWII Remembered, I am guessing I have to start looking for it in my "black hole."

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Howard A. Daniel III

Dear Editor,

What I was trying to say was that for the 1, 5, and 10 c notes, the lack of a watermark will not be diagnostic as the real notes were issued without watermark but that the blocks copied would likely be in the lower part of the alphabet and not fractional. For the 1/2 gulden, SA and SB were issued without watermark, but SC (and maybe some SB) and higher were issued with a watermark. Unwatermarked varieties of SC and higher notes would possibly be suspect.

Kaz Fujita

Dear Editor,

Can you list my name in the gram as one who is coming to the fest? And, Bill Rosenblum needs to be added to the 2012 donor list.

Kathy Freeland

[Dear Kathy, done and done - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I would like to enter my vote for fried spam as a lunch for the MPC fest.....again! I know its not to popular, but wanted to get my vote in there. And, don't worry about left overs.

STG1 RandyPoe

Dear Editor,

Could you please insert this show for the Canadian Festers:

R.C.N.A. Convention

July 19th to July 22nd

Westin Calgary Hotel

320 4th Ave, SW

Calgary Alberta, Canada.

Mini Fest Sat. 21st, 3.30 to 5.00.

Dick Dunn

P.S. looking forward to the Fest.

[Dear Dick - The show had been added - Ed.]

Dear Gram,

Hoppy Easter

Ernie Zerenner

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Condensed Fest Training Schedule

Those arriving early on Thursday will get checked in and in the evening we will go over to Big Boppers for a traditional Fest Banquet. It's a fancy sounding name for a dinner gathering where we all get to say hello to old friends and meet some new one. The food is pretty good too.

After dinner we are off to bowl and see who has gotten better (or worse) than last year. It is all in good fun and the scores are handicapped so everyone has a shot at a magnificent trophy.

Friday is the bourse and I am guessing there are at least seven tables booked. Here is an opportunity to find some of those items that have escaped your collection. Friday evening is a meet and greet and the start of March (or in this case May) Madness. Jim Downey will have some new questions.

On Saturday there are a number of presentations scheduled. Please see Ray and Steve Feller's letter below and, if you plan to speak, let them know. The evening will see the finals of March Madness, the annual poker game (MFC only) and I suspect we will have a movie for those not playing poker. Auction lots will be available for viewing.

Sunday mooring is the auction and this year's field trip is to the USS Cod.

USS Cod Field Trip

by Bill Myers

Since the fest is in May we have the rare opportunity to visit the USS Cod submarine in Cleveland as the Fest Field Trip on 6 MAY 2012. This is a trip not to be missed so plan on staying in Port Clinton on Sunday. There is an entry fee for the submarine so you must obtain a Military Fest Ticket to go on the field trip. The ticket includes admission and transportation. (We have the bus but may need extra vehicle depending on the response). The tickets will cost \$6. Each ticket is individually numbered. If you cannot go on the field trip but want a souvenir ticket, a punch cancelled ticket will be available for \$4. After all expenses are covered for the field trip any remaining money will be donated to the scholarship fund.

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For those staying over on Monday, there will be a walleye fishing trip on Lake Erie. The type of boat and cost per person will depend on the number of anglers. If you want to fish let us know. I'll start a roster for those going to see the USS Cod and for those who want to fish.

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On Tuesday I leave for Valkenburg. I'll have the laptop and will keep our readers posted on events over there. I am excited to go as it is always a great show and the Dutch are very hospitable folks. I'll look for some interesting items and hope to report some new finds. I will return with just enough time to unpack, repack and leave for the Fest. A busy time, but the good kind of busy.

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Dear Editor,

LAST CALL FOR FEST SHOW AND TELL DESCRIPTIONS

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The Fest is nearing! This is the LAST CALL for presentations that must include a numismatic connection. Include a few color images as well. Email them to ray.feller@gmail.com

Hope to see yours soon.

Ray and Steve Feller

Fest Education Office

Dear Editor,

For NEI JIM reprinted by the Republik Islam Indonesia, see NEI JIM SB 2205q1 and q2. The RII did not get plates from the Japanese - they reprinted the notes using available local duplication capabilities, then put their rubber stamp on the notes as if they had been using original JIM (most RII stamps are on genuine JIM).

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

I Just received the latest Spink World Banknote auction catalog ending 25 April and it has 5 lots (#54-58) of Camp Hay notes. Estimates are 800-1200 pounds Sterling for each. There is also a mixed lot of military notes at the end.

Steve Jinks

Dear Editor,

Please add my name to the Fest's attendees list.

Thanks, Greg Fedner.

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Valkenburg,

The Netherlands

We landed in Amsterdam early, about 0630, and had about a 90 minute wait for Brian Giese to arrive. We had planned to meet at and take together take the train to Valkenburg. While I was waiting for Brian and enjoying a cup of the great coffee I enjoy over here in Europe, I met Joel Shafer, Brain Stubbs and Dennis Lutz who had just arrived from Chicago . Brian arrived a little behind schedule, but no matter, we bought our train tickets and were off. While waiting on platforms to change trains we wondered where spring had gone as it was quite chilly with a wind.

When we got to Valkenburg we checked in to our hotels and went up to the pre-bourse at the Hotel Park . I guess since it was a Wednesday and many of the dealers had not yet arrived, the pre-bourse was not as crowded as I have seen it in the past. No matter, there was more room to look around and play like a kid in a candy store. While making the rounds, old acquaintances were renewed and I managed to see a few interesting things.

One of my first stops was Australian dealer Trevor Wilken who last year had some Boer War issues. This year he just happened to have a 3d Mafeking piece in relatively good shape at a most affordable price. My first find. While at home, I had reorganized my want lists for Yugoslavia . We all know how remembers is organized and for me at least sorting out the notes from Croatia , Serbia and Montenegro can get complicated. I went through all the pages and got it all straightened out so I would not wind up with duplicates, which has happened previously. I found a few pieces to fill the holes in my collection.

My next stop was to pick up an auction catalog from Corne Akkermans. Last year there were some nice pieces and this year was no exception. More on

that later. I made my way to Ian Gradons table and Ian was out and about in search of notes, but Mrs. G. was more than helpful in supplying issues that I needed. The long flight and train trip was beginning to take its toll, Brian and I along with IBNS members Peter Symes, Ron Richardson and Trevor Wilkin opted for a Greek restaurant for dinner which started off with a complimentary shot of Ouzo. It was all uphill, or downhill depending on your point of view, from there.

Thursday brought some new energy and a trip back to the pre bourse. There were more dealers this time and my searches found some iron ration items from Belgium I had not seen and a piece of German Feldpost which I picked up to go along with my V mail envelopes. I found a couple of more Spanish Civil War pieces and had a nice chat with SPMC President Mark Anderson who has a extensive collection. I was also in search of a Turkish note, P134, to compliment the P133 that was recently acquired. There will be more on both of these in future Grams.

I was carrying a copy of Remembered and had a number of inquires as to when the next edition was due. I could only tell everyone what Fred tells me: I hope it happens in my lifetime.

Thursday night I went to Akkermans auction and was successful on three lots. The first was a set of Armee Belgie (1 -10 5 Francs); a ships money note from a Dutch ship (more on that in a later Gram) and a 1000 Dinara Yugoslavian notes SB 158. Corne also had a 500 piece available, but I was not thrilled with the condition so I passed. I was, however, disappointed. I have been looking for the 1 rpf German Army issue piece (SB141) for a while and on was in the auction. Although not in the best of condition, it was a very collectible note. I went as high as I dared, but one other bidder wanted it more than I did, so I lost out.

Some other auction highlights included:

A set of Van Oorlog notes, one, five and ten gulden, all uncirculated, that sold for 240, 260 and 320 Euros respectively;

Two anti-facist Government authority bonds from Croatia , 1000 Dinara (380 Euros) and 1000 Lira (550 Euros)

A complete booklet of Bons De Solidarte 5 franc notes (100 pieces complete) SB pg 742.

And a number of Polish Government in Exile notes, over stamped WZOR, most of which did not sell

The auction can be accessed on line by going to Akkermans website.

Today is set-up day and that started at 1330 and by virtue of the fact the IBNS had purchased a half table, Brian and I were able to get in early. This was the first time I have had this opportunity and was able to do some reconnoitering. It turned out to be beneficial, but more on that in the next edition.

CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What was one of the things Major General W. Steffens did when his forces were surrounded in Norway during World War II?

[Trying to get un-surrounded doesn't count!]

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

No one answered the previous question, so it will stay up.

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EDITORIAL

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We are compiling a list of those Festers who want to go on the golf toournament, the trip to the USS Cod and the Monday fishing trip, so if you plan on attending, please let us know so I can compile a list for Tuesday's Gram. I expect a Training Schedule by them so we should all know what is going to happen and when.

Needless to say we are having a grand time here in Europe. The folks are friendly and there is a vast assortment of dealer offerings to inspect. Time and funds, or the lack thereof, are the only impediments.

I happend to be speaking with Joel Shafer and lamenting the fact that the magic brown birefcase is not here this year (and I do miss the owner as well) so were no special notes just for me to look at. I know Neil is busy working on the upcoming Philippine auction in Memphis. I will just have to look forwad to seing the case, an of course Neil, at the Fest. Joel also asked me not to challenge him; I didn't, but he still owes me a drink.

I did pull somewhat of a fast one on Pam West by asking her to hold my challenge coin and after much searching of her bag and Pete's case it was determined the coin was in the hotel, which was more than three steps away. That's two drinks. I'd better be careful, I might have to operate some heavy machinery. Brian did have his coin.

Stay tuned.....

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Greetings Festers:

The time is nearing and it will be here before we know it. I greatly appreciate all of the fast responses from all of those who called and made reservations. Please add the following people to the roster Brad Schwan, Bob Olson, David Hunsicker, and Karen Jach. As you can see that we have a lot of AWOL's this year. It saddens me to see all of you not attending; we totally understand about life and those things that come up. Just so you know; you are here in thoughts and spirit.

Kim Bartish

Dear Gram,

Do you know what time the Fest fishing trip will be on Monday May 7th? My flight leaves from Detroit at 7:00PM and would like to go but need to know if I can make my flight.

Dave Frank

Please include me on the fishing trip.

I thought there was going to be a golf tournament on Thursday? Is that still happening? If so, count me in on that as well.

Al Glaser

Dear Editor,
I am interested in the USS Cod and the Fishing trip.
Thanks
Brian Giese

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Everything is very busy around Fest HQ as you can imagine with only a few days until MPCFest XIII The Boss is assigning many tasks to the staff (me). Because the incompetent staff (in spite of excellent guidance from The Boss) drafting of the training schedule was late.

There will be two specialty group meetings on Friday afternoon. I think that this is the third year that this approach has been used and it seems to have been successful.

The first speciality meeting is for Bond Collectors. It will be at 1400 in the Catawba Board room. Bond show n tells are encouraged and everyone is invited. This is a first: a local collector is coming to the bond meeting. Although he, Bob, may (likely will) look in on the bourse and possibly some other things, he is coming specifically to attend the bond meeting. He is keenly interested in collecting bonds, but has a bad case of denial. He made his first purchase recently and missed another opportunity that is giving him one of those all too-well-known sucking chest wounds. I do not want to tell his story. One important show n tell is scheduled and souvenirs will be issued.

JIM collectors will meet at 1500. Officially it is scheduled for the Catawba Board room, but likely it will be moved to the bourse table of Neil Shafer. This is the third year (at least) for a JIM meeting and it should be a good time for anyone remotely interested in Japanese Invasion Money.

Since preparing the training schedule, I have had an idea. For the Fest, I think that perhaps instead of scheduling show n tell, that we should schedule staff briefings. I do not like the formal sound of the latter vs the former, but I like the military sounding title in keeping with the other jargon that we use at the Fest. Probably at first we should list it as Staff Briefings (show n tell). What do you think?

Below is the draft training schedule as of Sunday April 22. Of course suggestions, comments etc. are solicited.

Fest XIII Training Schedule special theme prisoner of war money

ALL PERSONNEL

Date/time Activity Personnel Trainer

Tuesday 1 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1700 work detail arrives present personnel The Boss
1700-2400 remedial bowling practice festers bowling coach

Wednesday 2 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim
0930-1700 Fest preparations work detail Fred
1700-1900 fish fry Jolly Roger The Boss
1900-2400 remedial bowling practice festers bowling coach

Thursday 3 May

0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim
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0930-1830 bourse preparations select personnel David
1400-1800 George Fitzgerald memorial golf outing, interested personnel
1SG Glaser
1830-2100 bourse banquet @ Big Boppers all available Judy, Ken
2100-2400 bowling challenge all available Doug Bell
2400- bull session/swap meet all available Ski

Friday 4 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG
0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim
0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim
0830-1000 bourse set up work detail and dealers David
1000 bourse and Fest registration open all personnel Loretta
1000-1600 bourse all available David
 auction submission/viewing all interested Ski
1400-1500 bond collectors meeting all interested Catawba Board Room
Warner

1500-1600 JIM meeting all interested in bourse Shafer
1700-1730 new Fester training new Festers Doug, Warner
1730-1800 company meetings and pics all personnel 1SGs
1800-1930 dining out, Fest anniversary party all personnel Kim
1930-2045 opening festivities all personnel Fred
2045-2245 training, March Madness prelims all personnel TBA
2245-2330 pay call by company paymasters
2330-2400 bull session by company 1SGs
2400 px, canteen, casino closed Dick
2400 lights out by company 1SGs

Saturday 5 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG
0700-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0730-0800 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers
0800-0815 company and bn picture mess hall TBA
0815-0830 book releases and autograph party all personnel (bring short
snorters) Fred
0830-1200 show n tell all personnel Steve F.
1200-1240 chow all personnel Kim
1245-1255 sing along all personnel Kathy
1300-1430 keynote talk, March Madness all personnel Steve
1435-1755 show n tell all personnel Steve
1755-1800 nap individual
1800-1900 dining in, Fester birthday party all personnel Kim
1900-2100 March Madness finals all personnel Downey
2100-2200 awards, Fest XIII lottery all personnel Steve S.
2200 finance open for exchange operations bn clerk

2200-2230 poker training all players Brad

2230-2400 military poker game reenactment all players Brad

movie in mess hall interested personnel Joe B.

2200-2300 auction lot viewing (concurrent) all personnel Ski

2400 snack time (left overs) interested personnel mess sgt

2400 canteen & casino close all personnel Loretta/Dick

Sunday 6 May

0100 lights out, bed check all personnel 1SGs

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SG

0600-0800 chow all personnel Kim

0700-0745 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers

0700-0730 destruction of obsolete MFC select personnel Fred

0730-0800 auction lot viewing optional Ski

0800-1200 auction all personnel Ski

1200-1230 police call and early departures select personnel Harold

1200-1245 chow all personnel mess sgts

1245-1330 break camp available personnel Harold

1330-1830 field training, USS Cod interested personnel Bill M.

1900-2000 fish fry mess hall Ken

2000-ca2200 special JIM show n tell Catwaba Board Room Dennis

2200-2400 movie mess hall Joe/Cuneyd

2401 bed check all personnel Judy

Monday 7 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim

0700-1600 walleye fishing interested personnel Brad

1830 local poker game (FRNs required) select personnel Fred

Tuesday 8 May

0700-0730 breakfast Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim

MPCFEST XIII - Price List

Fest registration double occupancy* 170

Fest registration single occupancy* 220

Hotel gratuity (one payment per FESTER) 8

Bourse table 125

Bourse banquet 15

Sunday fish fry 15

Spouse meal card 20

Bowling (2 games and shoes) 6

Sunday field trip 6

Fitzgerald golf event TBD

Monday fishing trip TBD

Additional nights (single occupancy) 50

Additional nights (double occupancy) 25

*includes lodging Friday and Saturday

and meals Fridayevening through Sun noon.

Coordinating instructions:

Problems etc contact the battalion clerk at 419 349 1872 (Schwan cell phone) alternate cell 419 202 0106 (Boss cell),

fredschwan@yahoo.com; or 419 732 7322 (Holiday Inn) kim@rutahotels.com

Auction items coordinate: Larry Smulczenski skitex@yahoo.com

Exhibits contact joeboling@aol.com.

Remarks: Saturday poker game will be a Texas holdem tournament with \$25MFC buy in. >\$10,000MFC prizes

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Big Boppers 419 734 4458

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Answer next time.

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Reference: The Norges Bank 2006

John Cheney

ANSWER:

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Myers

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EDITORIAL

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We have a Training Schedule and from the looks of it, it is going to be a busy time. I do see some challenges in packing fore the trip. If you plan to participate in full, you will need a set of clubs (how many are allowed in the bag?), a fishing rod and associated paraphernalia, not to mention some bait. I'm being facetious of course, as I image the clubs and fishing equipment will be available to rent, although, I don't think it would be a problem if you brought your favorite set of clubs. The fees for the golf outing and the fishing trip are yet to be determined and I would suspect it will depend on the number of participants for each event. We have included listing of those interested in all events and if you want to take part of any of the extra events, please write in as soon as you can so Fred can make the appropriate arrangements. The size and type of boat to be used for the fishing trip will, I am sure, depend on the number of anglers. I will also ask Joe Boling to provide a list of features for the Saturday night Fest Feature.

I am also excited to announce the release of a new book:

World War II Paper Money and Financial Documents

by Harold Kroll

Also:

Special Collector Edition

(numbered, autographed, stamped,

with inserts etc [includes regular

edition too]) only \$70 FRN

[I have previously mentioned that I was able to review a few pages and I was impressed with the detail and content. I was also happy to make a very very small contribution. I am sure you will like the book.]

I do have more to report on Valkenburg and that will wait until later in the week.

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Dear Editor,

I am going to give a talk in May at the Calusa Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) on military payment certificates. May I suggest other MPC collectors contact their local chapter (moaa.com) and see if they would like a similar educational presentation? This is one way we can expand the hobby of collecting script and numismatics in general.

Gary Lewis

Dear Editor,

The following festers won exhibit awards at the Central States Numismatic Society convention:

Brett Irick-The Golden Age of US Coins; 1795-1933

Second Place US Coins

Tom Casper-U.S.Bonds

First Place U.S. Paper Money

Brett Irick-National Bank Notes of Mt. Gilead, Ohio

Second Place U.S. Paper Money

Dan Freeland-Selected Canadian War Savings Certificates and Victory Loan Bonds

Second Place Foreign Paper Money

Neil Shafer-If Ya Had It, Ya Hid It

Third Place Foreign Paper Money

Kathy Freeland-Everlasting Love-The Story Behind Gold Love Tokens

Second Place Tokens

David Hunsicker-You Can Bank On It

First Place Miscellaneous

Dan Freeland

[Congratulations to all the winners - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

This was my response to the battalion clerk on 18 April:

Louise and I will go to the USS Cod. We have to return home that night (not stay to Monday) because I have to drive to Denver for the ANA on Tuesday. Thus no fishing for us. (Besides - last time we went fishing, I got very seasick - ocean salmon fishing off the Olympic Peninsula.)

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

Bill Haines and I plan on playing golf on Thursday.

Don Wilkinson

Dear Editor,

I was talking to a friend, and he has suggested i signed up to the MPCGram newsletter and gave me your contact details. Would it be possible you added me to the email list?

Thank you,

Ash Buck

[Dear Ash, Welcome to the Gram - as you see your email has been added to our subscription list - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Four of the five remaining members of the original eighty Doolittle crew will meet this week at the Wright Patterson USAF Museum in Ohio for their traditional toast..

About twenty privately owned B-25s are expected to join them! DAMN!!!!

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FEST EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

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USS Cod on Sunday:

Bill Myers

Dan and Kathy Freeland

Joe and Louise Boling

Mike Buckley

Larry Smlczenski

Dave Frank

Dick and Loretta Freyser

Harold Kroll

John Regitko

Dick Dunn

Brian Giese

Roger Urce

Fest Fishing trip on Monday:

Brian Giese

George Fitzgerald Memorial Gold Outing on Thursday:

Bill Haines

Don Wilkinson

Editor's Note

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PERSONS CAMP NOTES:

worldandmilitarynotes.com

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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Military Club paper scrip/chits from any of the military clubs on Okinawa from 1945 to 1972, nothing after 1972. donn@rememberingokinawa.com

Donn Cuson

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Mail checks to: Dan Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744-0195.

Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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SHOW CALENDAR - 2012

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56th Michigan State Numismatic Society Spring Convention

Hyatt Regency Dearborn Dearborn, MI

Apr 27-29

Free Parking and Admission

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email: jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info: www.michigancoinclub.org

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center

Dalton, GA. Apr 27-29

Free Parking

Show Contact: Tom Youngblood

Email: tom.youngblood@comcast.net

Show Info: www.gamoney.org

MPCFest XIII

Port Clinton, Ohio

May 4-6, 2012

Reservations call Holiday Inn Express

(419) 732-7322.

You must call to be registered. Registered to date:

Jim Aitken, Bill Myers, Kathy and Dan Freeland, Val May, Al Glaser, John Cheney, Jim Downey, Harold Kroll, Larry Smulczenski, Allen Berk, Cuneyd Tolek, Robert Drew, Brian Giese, Steve Swoish, Doug Bell, Ron Waddell, Neil Shafer, Jack Lippencott, Wes Hardy, Rod Hardy, Howard Daniel, Don Wilkinson David Seelye, Keith Bauman, Randy Poe, Adolf Witzke, Nick Schrier, Steve zfeller, George Salde, Bill Haines, Mike Buckley, Brett Irick, Dave Frank, Roger Urce, Dick Dunn, John Regitko, Ray Feller, Dick and Loretta Freyser, Warner Talso, Louise and Joe Boling, Carlson Chambliss, Greg Fedner and Judy and Fred Schwan

ANA National Money Show

Colorado Convention Center

Denver, CO.

May 10-12, 2012

Admission charge to non-members

Educational Programs & Exhibits

Show information contact

Rhonda Scurek

scurek@money.org

Phone number (719) 482-9839

or (800) 367-9723

More information at

<http://www.money.org>

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

May 31-June 2

Admission charge (discount coupon available at show site)

Educational Programs

Auction by Heritage Auctions

<http://www.HA.com>

Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Contact Taryn Warrecker twarrecker@collectors.com

or visit their web pages at

<http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

and <http://exposunlimited.com/>

International Paper Money Show (IPMS)

Cook Convention Center

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

Admission Charge

Educational Programs, Club Meetings & Exhibits

Possible MPC Mini-Fest

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions (US and Foreign Notes)

Auction Site: <http://newlynknight.com>

Show Info: Contact Lyn Knight Email lyn@lynknight.com or
Doug Davis Email: doug@numismaticcrimes.org

R.C.N.A. Convention

July 19th to July 22nd

Westin Calgary Hotel

320 4th Ave, SW

Calgary Alberta, Canada.

MIni Fest Sat. 21st, 3.30 to 5.00.

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo (40th Year)

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

June 28-July1 Free Admission

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN Activities Auction by Stacks Bowers Galleries

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Contact David Crenshaw

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lori.hamrick@whitmanbooks.com

or call either at: (404) 214-4373

Show information

<http://whitmanexpo.com>

ANA Worlds Fair of Money Convention (WFOM)

Pennsylvania Convention Center

Philadelphia, PA.

Aug 7-11, 2012

Admission charge to non-members

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Atlanta, GA. Oct 17-19, 2013
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Chicago, IL 8/13-17/2013,
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8/11-15/2015

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Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL. Apr 24-27, 2013
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Apr 22-25, 2015
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Valkenburg Show Report

Conclusion

It was not very crowded on Friday as we were all setting up tables. I went around both rooms to locate the dealers I had not seen at the pre-bourse. My first stop was at Hans Seems' table where I had been tasked to deliver a copy of Campbell. Hans is a Dutch dealer and he always has a number of World War II items and he lists them by SB numbers. There were a number of Wiltherhilfswerk coupons (SB 421/Page 490) with block numbers not listed in the book. These are now here at home and will make their way to the Fest as I know there might be some interest for them there. Also in the case was a crisp uncirculated 10pf from the Oranienburg Concentration Camp. The note was waiting for the other notes in the series to arrive. Hans also showed me a 50 Franc POW note which was worn and stained. This issue is listed in the book (SB476) but no value is shown.

I stopped by the table of Australian dealer John Pettit in his case were three Camp Hay notes, one and two shilling pieces plus a 6 pence.

My search for a 50 kurus note from Turkey, P134, was successful and the note was in AU condition but priced far out of my budget.

On Saturday the bourse got very busy and was unite crowded, so much so that I could not get to a number to some of the tables. While talking to Maryland dealer tony Pisciotta I noticed a one dollar Malayan JIM note that looked odd. When the light went on I realized it was the replica featuring two banana trees (SB 2174aq2). After some tough negotiations I was able to complete the deal.

I wanted to try and find some of the notes I needed to complete the issues for Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia. These can be confusing and I had sorted out all of the countries before I left for Holland and had my want book up to date. I managed to fill quite a few holes. The notes I

needed are not rare or particularly expensive, but they have been difficult for me to locate here.

Another area of interest are the hole cancelled Greek notes of the twenties which were pressed into service during the German occupation.

Prices on these vary with the denomination and condition, but I did find a 500 drachma piece for the unbelievable sum of one Euro. It pays to look.

Also waiting for me to find and bring home was a 20 mark Special Army Currency note with a very clear "B" stamp on both sides. I looked at the note closely and applied all of Joe's diagnostics (OK - I didn't have a 20 power glass) and felt the note was genuine. It will be at Fest to see if I am correct.

As I walked by Pam West's table, she was quick to show me that she had her challenge coin, which, as you may recall she did not have on Friday.

We decided to resolve the drink issue in Memphis when she brings some military issues for perusal.

Journal editor Ron Richardson of Vancouver was one of a number of IBNS members at the show and he, being aware of my military interest, directed me to a table where he saw some Bohol POW notes. When I got to the table I did notice the Bohol note, but what really got my attention were the pages containing Italian Partisan issues. I'll refer readers to pages 266 through 271 of Remembered. The one issue I have in my collection is SB 34391-7, 100 lira, from the Brigata Garibaldi. The pages contained issues from the Partito Comunista D'Italia 1943; The Partito D'Azione/Buono Della Liberazione and two 1945 issues for what loosely translates to the support of the Venezia Giulia Region. The dealer did not speak English so I was able to practice my so-so Italian and we came up with a very amicable arrangement. I never did buy the Bohol piece.

I also met with Italian dealer Franco Spinelli where I picked up some Isole Jonie pieces and a piece from the Italian occupation of Greece. He had two other notes that I would have loved to have. Remembered refers to them as the Dodocanese issues, but Franco called them the Rodi notes. Take a look at the images in the book and you will see why. Both notes were in wonderful shape; the asking price was 8500 euros for the pair. As much as I would like to say I'll be bringing them to the Fest to show them off..

In honor of my Italian finds, we decided on an Italian restaurant for dinner on Saturday night. It was somewhat strange as the menu featured Italian dishes but was all in Dutch. It was a bit of a challenge to

order, but it all worked out in the end. Hey Brian, remember how to say "peas" in Italian?

I had never experienced the show on a Sunday always leaving early in the morning to catch a train to the airport in Amsterdam. This year I decided to stay over a night in Amsterdam which meant I could stay for Sunday. Most of the day was taken up with some IBNS business and chatting with dealers and other collectors, since, by that time the budget had been exhausted. Despite the show being open until four PM, most dealers were packing up and out by noon. Brian and I were able to share a van to Amsterdam where we had a nice relaxing dinner before heading home on Monday.

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Vietnam Token Collectors,

by John Cheney

Vietnam tokens are a very collectable area for collectors, that is still in its infancy and with prices that are reasonable, as compared to other collecting.

The U.S. Military Vietnam Tokens were used primarily in slot machines but also for commerce in clubs and mess associations. I have seen them used in clubs, juke boxes, and slot machines while I was in Vietnam.

There are many different kinds of Vietnam Token collectors (limited area of collecting):

Incuse

Specific areas (cities, corps etc)

Units

Specialities such as Medical units

Specialities such as Army Air units

Specialities such as Air Force units

Symbols (trees, animals, etc)

Unit patches on tokens

token denomination 5c, 10c, 25c, 50c, \$1, \$5, \$10, \$25

The unit a person was in while in Vietnam (i.e. 101st ABN, PSYOP etc.)

Brass, Aluminum, Brass Plated - errors - varieties

The most interesting thing is that often NEW tokens are found that were not yet identified.

I am buying, and selling, and trading Vietnam Tokens and compiling current data on Vietnam Tokens.

I am also interested in pictures of the clubs, mess associations, and locations where they were used.

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In 1941. a small change note was introduced for the Colonia de Mocambique. What was the denomination?

Answer next time.

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Valkenburg is not only a great show but a great experience as is the town itself. My compliments and thanks to Jos Eijsermans and his staff for their hospitality and another well organized and fine show. As in years past, there were a variety of dealers from all over the world. The spring show for 2013 is scheduled for the weekend of April 6-8 which makes it less than a year away. Valkenburg is one of the three must attend events of the year with the Fest and Memphis being the other two.

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I might have saved John's Viet Nam token feature for another issue, but I wanted to give interested Festers ample time to make plans for the discussion.

The Training Schedule along with the registration fees are right after Mail Call and I'll keep them there until after the Fest.

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Dear Editor,

The Gram is better and better with each issue!!!

Thanks for all you do!!

John Cheney

[John, your kind words are appreciated - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

For Saturday night I recommend "Defiance," a story of the Polish partisans. I notice there is also a movie announced for Sunday night, but per my earlier message, Louise and I will not be staying over Sunday night.

Joe Boling

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1000 bourse and Fest registration open all personnel Loretta

1000-1600 bourse all available David

auction submission/viewing all interested Ski

1400-1500 bond collectors meeting all interested Catawba Board Room
Warner

1500-1600 JIM meeting all interested in bourse Shafer

1700-1730 new Fester training new Festers Doug, Warner
1730-1800 company meetings and pics all personnel 1SGs
1800-1930 dining out, Fest anniversary party all personnel Kim
1930-2045 opening festivities all personnel Fred
2045-2245 training, March Madness prelims all personnel TBA
2245-2330 pay call by company paymasters
2330-2400 bull session by company 1SGs
2400 px, canteen, casino closed Dick
2400 lights out by company 1SGs

Saturday 5 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG
0700-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0730-0800 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers
0800-0815 company and BN picture mess hall TBA
0815-0830 book releases and autograph party all personnel (bring short
snorters) Fred
0830-1200 show n tell all personnel Steve F.
1200-1240 chow all personnel Kim
1245-1255 sing along all personnel Kathy
1300-1430 keynote talk, March Madness all personnel Steve
1435-1755 show n tell all personnel Steve
1755-1800 nap individual
1800-1900 dining in, Fester birthday party all personnel Kim
1900-2100 March Madness finals all personnel Downey
2100-2200 awards, Fest XIII lottery all personnel Steve S.
2200 finance open for exchange operations bn clerk
2200-2230 poker training all players Brad

2230-2400 military poker game reenactment all players Brad
movie in mess hall interested personnel Joe B.

2200-2300 auction lot viewing (concurrent) all personnel Ski

2400 snack time (left overs) interested personnel mess sgt

2400 canteen & casino close all personnel Loretta/Dick

Sunday 6 May

0100 lights out, bed check all personnel 1SGs

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SG

0600-0800 chow all personnel Kim

0700-0745 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers

0700-0730 destruction of obsolete MFC select personnel Fred

0730-0800 auction lot viewing optional Ski

0800-1200 auction all personnel Ski

1200-1230 police call and early departures select personnel Harold

1200-1245 chow all personnel mess sgts

1245-1330 break camp available personnel Harold

1330-1830 field training, USS Cod interested personnel Bill M.

1900-2000 fish fry mess hall Ken

2000-ca2200 special JIM show n tell Catwaba Board Room Dennis

2200-2400 movie mess hall Joe/Cuneyd

2401 bed check all personnel Judy

Monday 7 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim

0700-1600 walleye fishing interested personnel Brad

1830 local poker game (FRNs required) select personnel Fred

Tuesday 8 May

0700-0730 breakfast Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim

MPCFEST XIII - Price List

Fest registration double occupancy* 170

Fest registration single occupancy* 220

Hotel gratuity (one payment per FESTER) 8

Bourse table 125

Bourse banquet 15

Sunday fish fry 15

Spouse meal card 20

Bowling (2 games and shoes) 6

Sunday field trip 6

Fitzgerald golf event TBD

Monday fishing trip TBD

Additional nights (single occupancy) 50

Additional nights (double occupancy) 25

*includes lodging Friday and Saturday

and meals Fridayevening through Sun noon.

Coordinating instructions:

Problems etc contact the battalion clerk at 419 349 1872 (Schwan cell phone) alternate cell 419 202 0106 (Bosss cell),

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Auction items coordinate: Larry Smulczenski skitex@yahoo.com

Exhibits contact joeboling@aol.com.

Remarks: Saturday poker game will be a Texas holdem tournament with \$25MFC buy in. >\$10,000MFC prizes

Holiday Inn Express, 50 NE Catawba Road, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452 419 732 7322

Big Boppers 419 734 4458

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FEST EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

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USS Cod on Sunday:

Bill Myers

Dan and Kathy Freeland

Joe and Louise Boling

Mike Buckley

Larry Smlczenski

Dave Frank

Dick and Loretta Freyser

Harold Kroll

John Regitko

Dick Dunn

Brian Giese

Roger Urce

Fest Fishing trip on Monday:

Brian Giese

George Fitzgerald Memorial Gold Outing on Thursday:

Bill Haines

Don Wilkinson

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Military Club paper scrip/chits from any of the military clubs on Okinawa from 1945 to 1972, nothing after 1972. donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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56th Michigan State Numismatic Society Spring Convention

Hyatt Regency Dearborn Dearborn, MI

Apr 27-29

Free Parking and Admission

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email: jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info: www.michigancoinclub.org

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center

Dalton, GA. Apr 27-29

Free Parking

Show Contact: Tom Youngblood

Email: tom.youngblood@comcast.net

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MPCFest XIII

Port Clinton, Ohio

May 4-6, 2012

Reservations call Holiday Inn Express

(419) 732-7322.

You must call to be registered. Registered to date:

Jim Aitken, Bill Myers, Kathy and Dan Freeland, Val May, Al Glaser, John Cheney, Jim Downey, Harold Kroll, Larry Smulczenski, Allen Berk, Cuneyd Tolek, Robert Drew, Brian Giese, Steve Swoish, Doug Bell, Ron Waddell, Neil Shafer, Jack Lippencott, Wes Hardy, Rod Hardy, Howard Daniel, Don Wilkinson David Seelye, Keith Bauman, Randy Poe, Adolf Witzke, Nick Schrier, Steve zfeller, George Salde, Bill Haines, Mike Buckley, Brett Irick, Dave Frank, Roger Urce, Dick Dunn, John Regitko, Ray Feller, Dick and Loretta Freyser, Warner Talso, Louise and Joe Boling, Carlson Chambliss, Greg Fedner and Judy and Fred Schwan

ANA National Money Show

Colorado Convention Center

Denver, CO.

May 10-12, 2012

Admission charge to non-members

Educational Programs & Exhibits

Show information contact

Rhonda Scurek

scurek@money.org

Phone number (719) 482-9839

or (800) 367-9723

More information at

<http://www.money.org>

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Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

May 31-June 2

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Educational Programs

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<http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

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International Paper Money Show (IPMS)

Cook Convention Center

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

Admission Charge

Educational Programs, Club Meetings & Exhibits

Possible MPC Mini-Fest

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July 19th to July 22nd

Westin Calgary Hotel

320 4th Ave, SW

Calgary Alberta, Canada.

Mini Fest Sat. 21st, 3.30 to 5.00.

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Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

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ANA Worlds Fair of Money Convention (WFOM)

Pennsylvania Convention Center

Philadelphia, PA.

Aug 7-11, 2012

Admission charge to non-members

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Atlanta, GA. Oct 17-19, 2013

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8/11-15/2015

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Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,

Schaumburg, IL. Apr 24-27, 2013

Apr 23-26, 2014

Apr 22-25, 2015

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Fest XIII Training Schedule Addendum

Attached is the final (I think DRAFT) of the welcome packet including company and duty assignments. Included in the packet and listed below are the items requiring coordination (payment). I am particularly interested in nailing down the Thursday night bourse banquet. We have always done poorly at that. I have filled that (and the other lists) in with what I know based on what you told me, hotel reservations, and past years. Especially for the bourse banquet, tell me if I have it wrong.

We have some new things planned for the bourse banquet so we hope to see you there.

Festing has started. Harold and Ski are here. We are all excited and working too. See you soon.

Fred n The Boss

Fitzgerald Golf outing

Al Glaser

Bill Haines

Don Wilkinson

Steve Swoish

Bourse Banquet (Thursday evening 1900-2100)

Alpha Company

Al Glaser

Robert Drew

Neil Shafer

Carlson Chambliss

David Hunsicker

John Regitko

Jim Aitken

Ann Aitken

Dick Dunn

Mike Buckley

Bravo Company

Bill Myers

Jim Downey

Dave Frank

Randy Poe

Bill Haines, Bill

Don Wilkinson

Charlie Company
Dan Freeland
Kathy Freeland
Larry Smulczenski
Karen Jach
Brian Giese
John Cheney
Howard Daniel
Bob Olson
Dick Freyser
Loretta Freyser
Joe Boling
Louise Boling
Roger Urce
Brett Irick
Harold Kroll
George Slade
Betty Slade
James Capps
Nancy Capps

Hq Company
Fred Schwan
Judy Schwan
Val May

Cod reservations (Sun afternoon)

- 1 Kathy Freeland
- 2 Dan Freeland
- 3 Loretta Freyser
- 4 Dick Freyser
- 5 Bill Myers
- 6 Larry Smulczenski
- 7 Dave Frank
- 8 Mike Buckley
- 9 Louise Boling
- 10 Joe Boling
- 11 John Regitko
- 12 Dick Dunn
- 13 Brian Giese
- 14 Harold Kroll (bubble)
- 16 John Cheney
- 17 Bob Liske (local, bubble)
- 18 Roger Urce

Fishing (Mon morning)

Bob Olson
Dave Frank
Jack Lippincot
Brian Giese
John Cheney
Robert Drew

Fish Fry (Sunday evening)

TBD, all personnel staying in the hotel are assumed to be attending.

Following is a preview of the 2012 Fest Auction. Gramsters are invited to bid on the various lots, even if you are not attending the Fest. Simply send an email with the lot number and your bid to the Gram by 2400 hours, Saturday evening, May 5th. If you win lots, they will be mailed to you from Fest Headquarters. You will be invoiced for your winning items along with a ten per cent (10%) buyers fee plus postage. The amount listed at the end of each lot is a minimum bid. Good luck to all that choose to bid.

LotCnty/SubjDescriptionMin BidDon

1China BondPatriotic Aviation Bond with Boeing P-26 vignette.\$10 value
(in Chinese)SB 8132.CU\$10.00Y

2MREIf you like barbeque then this #2 MRE is for you.Featuring a
barbequed pork rib with sides and desert.A heater is included.This is a
Texas special .\$3.00Y

3MREAnother delicacy but this time for Italian food lover.MRE #13 is the
Cheese Tortellini with sides and a desert.A heater is also included.All
you need to provide is the checkered table cloth and wine.\$3.00Y

4Souvenir CardA beautiful limited edition engraved card featuring an
eagle with outstretched wings from FUN 2012.Only 100 were printed.This is
number 80.\$5.00Y

5CoinsTwenty different coins from WWII.The start of a new collecting
interest for those that cannot find anything new to add to their
collections.Circulated.\$4.00Y

6Mini-Fest NotesAn ANA Mini-Fest note from Chicago 2011 (#5), the number
38 note from the dinner with Helen Rappaport (autographed, a Hollocast
survivor), the #21, 2012 FUN Mini- Fest note plus Fest XIIField Trip note
9.\$4.00Y

7Mini-Fest NotesA similar set of four notes as above except all with
serial number 4.\$4.00Y

8Mini-Fest NotesA similar set of four notes as above except all with
serial number 6.\$4.00Y

9StampsA large lot of 292 World War II stamps,(273 different) Catalog
over \$100. Used and unused\$25.00

10First Day CoversTwo covers from the Philippines. (1) Limbagan-1943, 12c
on 20c, Jap. Occ. (2)1945 w/7 diff Victory stamps\$4.00

11WWII CoinsLot of 18 different. Some silver. Includes Australia, Belgium, Netherlands, Philippines. \$15.00

12Ration ItemsThree items. (1) Unused ration check w/ stub-Shoes, Malta NB, OH., (2) Unused deposit slip-Shoes, Malta NB, OH., and (3) Used ration check, Meat etc, Haverhill NB, MA. \$3.00

13USA Proof Coin1973S Eisenhower 40% Silver Proof One Dollar. \$17.00

14USA Proof Set1990S Prestige Proof set with 90% silver Eisenhower Centennial Dollar \$25.00

15Military TokensNice lot of 13 different military tokens. VF-Unc. \$10.00

16Allied BanknotesThree items. (1) Great Britain 10 shilling SB 103VG, (2) Malta 10 shilling SB 4206aVG, and (3) New Caledonia 5 Francs SB 1624F+ \$5.00

17China Puppet BankLot of six notes. (1) P-J69; SB 1112 F+, (2) P-J72; SB 1096 XF, (3) P-J83a; SB 1118a1 VG, (4) P-J80; SB 1114 F+, (5) P-J88; SB 1121a F, and (6) P-J90; SB 1126a XF. \$10.00

18MPCSeries 661 \$5CU \$20.00

19MPC ReplacementSeries 692 25c REPLACEMENT. Serial Number E00122131. VG \$25.00

20Germany WHWKriegswinterhilfswerk 5 RMk with Red overprint. SB 363b2 Unc. \$15.00

21Germany WHWKriegswinterhilfswerk 5 RMk with Roman numeral II before serial number. SB 373 Unc. \$15.00

22DocumentsState of Illinois Veterans Bonus Notification Warrant Card and a War Bonds and Stamps Purchaser's Order. \$4.00

23Korea CouponTen cent MPC Coupon, Series 3.1/4 slit at center fold. VG \$125.00

24Allied Fest CertificateSummer Seminar 2011 AFC notes stamped BANQUET. 5, 25 and 75 Zloty stamped 50 ONLY. \$15.00Y

25Allied Fest CertificateAnother lot like the one above. \$15.00Y

26Allied Fest CertificateSummer Seminar 2011 AFC notes stamped BANQUET. 5 and 25 zloty plus \$1 series 091 stamped BANQUET \$15.00Y

27ANA Banquet notes2011 ANA Banquet Series 120, Convention Certificates. \$1, \$2 (SN 1*) and \$4. \$30.00Y

28ANA Banquet notes2011 ANA Banquet Series 120, Convention Certificates. \$1 and \$2 (water stain) \$15.00Y

29Allied Fest CertificateSummer Seminar 2011 AFC notes.5, 25 and 75 Zloty.\$15.00Y

30Mini-Fest CertificateColorado Springs July 2011, \$25 MFC.\$5.00Y

31Denmark Small ChangeFive WWII Danish Encased Postage Stamps.SB-171 type.Nice examples\$20.00

32Hawaii Gas CouponWWII Ration Coupon for 5 Gallons of Gasoline issued by Office of Military Governor.Small thin.\$40.00

33Australian Receipt.Issued for War Savings Certificates.Rust stains from staples in upper left and upper right corners\$20.00

34U.S. Savings BondOne hundred dollar Bicentennial Bond with Valley Forge vignette.Issued Dec 75.New.\$40.00

35Collectable BookPocket Edition of the Heath's Infallible Counterfeit Detector.Fifteenth Ed. 1887. Some pages are foxed.\$100.00

36Ration CouponGreat Britain Petrol, 10 units, Y/A, Valid 18 Aug 1957\$8.00

37Ration CouponJersey Petrol, 1 unit, valid 30 Nov 1950\$8.00

38ChecksThree different style checks, same customer written on Red Bud Bank, Red Bud, IL.1917-26. Two setsavail.\$3.00Y

39Savings BondsTwo \$25 Bonds, Fowler (1966) and Kennedy (1971) signatures.\$45.00

40Commemorative WoodThree centennial flats, (1) Fremont OH, 1949 (2) Adrian MI, 1963 with inverted reverse and (3) Rantoul IL, 1954\$3.00Y

41Konversionkasse BondsThree Teilgutschein (fractional bond certificate) from Holland.Each with a different interest rate.Jan. 1936\$100.00

42MedalFiftieth Anniversary Montgomery Bus Boycott Medal (Rosa Parks)\$10.00

43LatviaTen Punkte note.KR20a.30 April 1945.Nice clean note.\$75.00

44RussiaFifteen pieces with overprints.Mavrodi Pyramid Scheme.\$25.00

45Food Stamp CreditsStrip of six tickets which were used with orange Food Stamps.Three 1 cent, two 5 cent and one 10 cent.\$15.00

46Poker ChipsSet of four pieces from Fest X.Includes \$1, \$5, \$10 and Fest X token.\$25.00

47Malaya JIMOne Dollar.Tougher Block MI.UNC\$6.00

48Malaya JIMOne Dollar.Block MS.UNC\$5.00

49MPCSeries 641,5, 10, 25 cent \$1, and \$10.All serial numbers end 641\$12.00

50MPCFive Full House Poker Hand serial numbered notes\$10.00

51MPCSeries 641.Complete circulated set.5 cent to 10 dollars.\$15.00

52MPCThirty mixed notes.5cent to 5 dollars.Average circulated.\$45.00

53Gas CouponCoupon for 10 liters of Benzine.For use by German Forces in German Federal Republic.\$20.00

54Note assortmentTwenty pieces of mixed Marks, Lire, Yen, Sen and Pesos.\$25.00

55Note assortmentBritish Military Authority, 1 and 5 Shilling; Italian AMC 10 and 50 Lire.Circulated\$25.00

56Greenland TokensFour Piece set, Narssarssuaq Kantinen Aluminum Meal Tokens.UNC\$75.00

57Treasury Award Cert.Disney Characters, U.S. Treasury War Bond Committee Award given to new parents w/ Bond Purchase, SB363\$50.00Y

58POW ChitFt. Niagara, NY Camp Canteen.1 cent chit.SN 2821F.Campbell 8145a\$35.00Y

59Germany POW IssuesLot of three pieces.General POW issue with large red triangle.1, 2 and 5 RMkSB 194, 195 and 196\$35.00Y

60Money OrderU.S. Postal Military money order fromAPO 97029with receipt.1980.\$25.00

61Military CheckAMEX Military Banking Facility Cancelled check from USAF Upper Heyford dated 3 May, 1957.\$5.00

62Saving Bond PamphletsGroup of four war bond pamphlets, 2 from 2nd, 1 each from 3rd and 5th War Loan.All fresh.\$14.00

63Japanese AMCTwo B-series 20 yen notes.One a regular issue, the other a replacement\$155.00

64Military CheckAMEX MPC check unused with stub from Nuremburg branch, Germany.1947.CU\$125.00

65Statement and ChecksMonthly statement with 19 checks from APO 09154, Stuttgart, Germany,Dec 67-Jan 68\$45.00

66MBF CheckWWII Schofield Barracks unused check with stub from Bishop National Bank, Honolulu, Hawaii\$10.00

67Savings BondSeries E, \$25 Bicentennial Bond, April 1977.\$20.00

68Window stickerWWII Fourth War Loan window sticker.Unused\$5.00

69Window stickerWWII Red Cross War Fund Drive window sticker.(2)1944 and 45.Unused\$5.00

70War Bond PamphletsTwo War Savings Bond pamphlets, one each from 4th and 6th war loan drives.New\$9.00

71MPCShort set from Series 471.5c, 10c, 25c, 50c and \$1.nice circ.\$40.00

72AFC notesSet of six notes from 2011 ANA Summer Seminar includes two star notes.\$20.00

73Military Pass HolderWWII leather military pass and ID holder and two copies of military orders from APO 407 Munich District.\$16.00

74Military FormDD Form 2A (RES) 1 Mar 1959.Red in color.Unused\$40.00

75Escourt BadgeUS Army from Sacramento Depot.Control item 038.Laminated in plastic.\$5.00

76Ration BookWWII U.S. Ration Book #3.Used but with a lot of coupons.\$10.00Y

77Ration BookSimilar to the one above but Ration Book #4.\$10.00Y

78U.S. North Africa note.Yellow sealSilver Certificate REPLACEMENT.Graded as AU 55.Really tough note.\$2,000.00

79Defense BondU.S. \$100 Large SizeSeries E Defense Bond.Issued February 1942.\$350.00

80Canadian EnvelopesFour WWII envelopes mailed from Camp Borden, Ont.(one with a V - cancel)\$5.00

81Post CardsEight real photo post cards from Fort Lewis, Washington\$10.00

82Post CardsFour WWII Humorphost cards\$10.00

83Post CardsThree 1921 post cards of Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.\$5.00

84Post CardsThree real photo cards , two of which show the German frontnear Reims\$5.00

85Post CardsThree real photo cards, naval scenes at Great Lakes, and old planes over Pensacola, Fla.\$5.00

86Window BannerWWII Window banner with three stars for members "Serving Overseas"\$15.00Y

87Viet Nam envelopesNine postally used envelopes "Viet Nam Cong Hoa" stamps.\$5.00

88Agent BadgeOfficial U.S. Defense Agent Badge for Defense Stamp sales\$5.00

89Window BannerWWIIBanner, "Serving in the U.S. Merchant Marine"(Eagle Ships for Victory)\$20.00

90Window BannerWWII banner, "Serving in the U.S. Coast Guard"(Coast Guard emblem)\$20.00

91BookWWII in Pictures.Hard Cover Book, 256 pages.\$10.00

92ChitFive cent chit from "The Breakers"Navy Recreation Center, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.\$5.00

93Trip SpecimenSpecimen ticket for the 2012 post Fest trip to the USS Cod in Cleveland.\$10.00Y

94Trip ReplacementA Replacement ticket for the 2012 post Fest trip to the USS Cod in Cleveland\$10.00Y

95Belgium local issueTown of Pipaix.Set includes 10, 25, 50 centimes, 1 and 5 francs.S/B 1061-65.All CU\$50.00

96Germany AMCRussian printing of 1/2 Mk.S/B 191.Some dirt.Fine.\$25.00

97Ireland tokensSet of four tokens from the Curragh Internment Camp.VF/XF.SB 211-214pg 460\$400.00

98Movie ticket chitChit from the Minidoka Internment Camp in Hunt, Idaho.Plate note from Feller and Feller\$180.00

99Belgium overstampPost WWII redemption stamp from Liege on German 20 Mk Pick181.Fine.\$100.00

100Beer Ration CardEnlisted Men's Service Club (no location).American Beer on Front, Japanese Beer on Back. Small piece missing on right side.Interesting.VF\$25.00

101Payment VoucherUnited Nations Refugee Office (UNRO) Receipt "for ship passages of UNRO Eligibles from Shanghai to Hong Kong".ETD26 June 1954.\$50.00

102Bernhard NoteTen Pound Operation Bernhard note. Graded as XF-40.Missing LR corner and small thin in right margin\$110.00

103Australian Postal NoteTen Shillings note from Queensland dated 2 April 1945 paid to payee from the Philippines.\$110.00

104MFCTwo framed uncut sheets of MFC series 2002 in custom 18.5" x 26" frames with both sides viewable.\$100.00

105YMCA Chit BookWWI original full booklet of ten 3 pence chits.Dated 13 Sep 1918.Very Rare.\$500.00

106Fiji NoteEmergency Overprint on New Zealand note.One pound note.SB 1376aGraded Choice Fine -15\$250.00

107India POW receiptProperty receipt for a POW at an Indian Camp. Dated 20 Mar. 1944\$10.00

108Rare MFCIssued at opening of the ANA Museum's exhibit of WWII currency. Series 022 overprinted"Rendezvous with Destiny, the Money of WWII, December 7, 2002"The one and two dollar notes with serial number 12.\$100.00

109MPC replacementSeries 521, one dollar replacement SN E00434835.Fine\$350.00

110MPCSeries 521 five dollar note.Graded as XF 45. with light foxing.\$300.00

111German LotterySheet of 40 one-eighth chance tickets from the 13th Reichslotterie.Reserve

112German LotterySheet of 20 one-quarter chance tickets from the 13th Reichslotterie.Reserve

113Special EditionOne of the newly released "World War II Paper Money and Financial Documents of Nazi Germany Special Editions.Donated by the Editor to benefit the scholarship fund--bid generously\$2.00

114Propaganda LeafletDropped by balloon on Germany by Allies.Written in German telling the population that the war is coming to an end. Has several small holes.VF\$10.00

115Propaganda LeafletDropped on Vietnam by French in 1950's, two languages saying thatIndochinese Union would win the war. VF\$7.00

116Propaganda LeafletDropped by Germans on English, encouraging them to become POW's and survive instead of being killed. VF\$10.00

117Propaganda LeafletDropped by Germans on American Forces with usual lines of propaganda and demoralizing thoughts. VF\$10.00

118Safe Conduct PassTargeted at African-Americans by Germans to give up and return home to their children.Fine+\$10.00

119Propaganda LeafletSmaller German item targeting Canadian troops saying that the British do not appreciate them.Leflet has corner damage that does not effect the printed portion.\$8.00

120Propaganda LeafletDropped by Germans on Allies discussing the end of the war.Topics include Russians, WWII and those who die in the last few minutes.This leaflet sold for \$25 several years ago.XF\$25.00

121Safe Conduct PassKorean War, printed in Blue and Red with MacArthur signature.XF\$10.00

122Encased CentAluminum cent with advertising on one side and proclaiming Victory, V-E and V-J Day.\$2.00Y

123Aluminum PinMade in the shape of Italy with a star.\$1.00Y

124Japanese Savings BookSoldier's Postal Savings Deposit Book.Large Size.VF\$5.00Y

125Japanese Savings BookSimilar to previous item but thinner.Soldier and Battleship on coverVF\$5.00Y

126Japanese Prayer BookSmall size, most likely from WWII.Nice shape\$3.00Y

127Fed. Ger. Rep.Ten DM Special Army Currency. 1948 printed by ABNC.SB 655aFine\$14.00

128Fed. Ger. Rep.Bank Deutscher Lander Ten DM. 1949 printed by ABNC.SB 685aF-VF\$12.00

129OceaniaJIMThree REPLICA notes.1/2 and 1 shilling plus 1 pound.First two are unc, pound had light center fold.Choice\$70.00

130Propaganda LeafletArabic anti-English text on the back of a reprint Bank of England one pound note. Finew/repared edge tears.\$25.00

131Australia coinsTwo 1d coins.1943 and 1944, both brown.AU\$2.00

132PhilippinesSeries 66, One peso Victory STAR note.SB 2321rFine\$10.00Y

133Philippines JIMA 1000 peso note with barely perceptible soaking.Paper toned tan.SB 2233a\$4.00Y

134ChinaFarmers Bank 100 yuan, with postal censor stamp "Passed by Army Examiner".P477a\$5.00Y

135Ionian IslandsOne drachma, used during Italian occupation of islands.SB 531.Good\$1.00Y

136UK stampCommemorative 50p.Fiftieth Anniversary of D-Day in illustrated folder.Unc.\$3.00Y

137Post CardWar Dept. penalty mail, 25 Oct 1924. Acknowledgement of application for Adjusted Compensation.\$1.00Y

138Ration EnvelopeEnvelope for gasoline ration book.W.H. Bowden & Sons, Weatherford, Tex. With 18 A and B gas ration stamps\$5.00Y

139Launch CoverCommemorative of the launching of cruiser USS New Orleans, 12 Apr. 1933, Brooklyn Navy Yard cancellation.\$5.00Y

140Propaganda>From The Young China Club (Chinatown Merchants, no city specified) advocating boycott of Japanese goods.\$20.00Y

141France AMCTwo Franc Replacement.SB 142r.VG\$40.00Y

142U.S. CoinLincoln Cent with "V" embossed into it. Small hole at bottom for some kind of suspension (missing).\$2.00Y

143"E" Award MedalCurtis Wright Corp., Airplane Div., Buffalo NY, 20 Aug, 1942.76mm heavy bronze medal celebrating receipt of the Army/ Navy "E" Award."E" flag and two aircraft on obverse.Uncirculated.\$45.00Y

144Food couponsSeries 1989A USDA\$2.00 booklet complete.Serial number A19407749A\$12.00

145Food couponSeries 1992B USDA \$1.00 coupon.Serial number E58012696B\$3.00

146AMC FranceFrance Back Fifty Franc Replacement note.S/B 121r.Fine\$45.00

147Propaganda noteJapanese 10 yen note with U.S. message #2009 on back.Translation included.SB 169\$40.00

148Propaganda noteJapanese 10 yen note with U.S. message #2034 on back. SB 172.Issued note attached.CU\$50.00

149MPCSeries 651 \$1.00Replacement????Apparent thinning in the vicinity of suffix letter.Possible erasure.\$8.00

150WWII Book"My Savings Book For Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps" (1941).Childs learning tool with actual coins and cartoon caricatures.Contains 30 pennies, 9 nickles, 5 dimes and 3 quarters--all dated prior to 1942. Cover of book loose.\$100.00

151Souvenir CardIssued in conjunction with the Helen Rappaport dinner.See the background on this item at the end of the sale.\$25.00Y

152Magazine.Article printed in ANA Monthly Magazine by Judy Schwan."Gold Love Tokens"\$2.00Y

153Wedding SheetsBetter qualify that!!!These are sheets of the Wedding Certificates.Uncut sheets of four notes.Only two exist.The Toleks have one.Your chance to own the only other.\$50.00Y

154Konversionkasse BondFour per cent, Issued for Holland, 1000 Gulden, Series 1 dated 1 Nov. 1935\$10.00

155War BondA \$25 small size bond sold on Jan 45 and paid on Aug 18, 1945.It has a vivid Army War Bond Office stamp along with two paid stamps.The bond has a hole cancel at the top center.Bond most likely comes from the Oklahoma hoard.\$15.00Y

156War BondSimilar to the lost item except this one was issued on May 44 and paid on Dec 14, 1944.It has a double hole cancel at the top center.Also most likely from the Oklahoma hoard.\$15.00Y

157Israel change tokensThree 5 prutot small-change cardboard tokens of the early 1950s.Issued by a bus company in city of Haifa\$8.00Y

158Israel coupon bookletIssued in 1984-5 to the Defense Forces.Contains
315 coupons with total face value of 6000 sheqalim.Unusual\$20.00Y

159Philippine GuerrillaMindanao Emergency Currency Board, 1943-4.2 peso
(1) and 5 pesos (3).All differentVF-XF\$10.00Y

160Philippine GuerrillaMindanao, 10 pesos (5) 1943-4.All different.VF-
AU\$12.00Y

161Philippine GuerrillaMindanao, 20 pesos (7) 1943-4.All different.Fine
to CU.Most VF-XF.\$15.00Y

162Manuscript proofNew (2012) Chambliss Catalog of MPCs.152 oages,
original first copy , featuring noes and corrections by author.\$25.00Y

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers andalwayswelcomeand eagerly
solicited. The only requirement is that you alsoprovide the answer!

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Spain was neutral during World War II, however, there is an issue of
notes associated with Spain. What are the notes and where were they used?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

In 1941. a small change note was introduced for the Colonia de
Mocambique. What was the denomination?

ANSWER:

50 centavos.

George Slade

ANSWER:

50 Centavos

Frank Clark

ANSWER:

50 centavos

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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We have a wealth of Fest information today. Look over all the auction lots and see if there are any items you must have for your collection. There are quite a few interesting pieces and if past experience is any judge, there is something in the auction for just about anyone. Remember also, the proceeds from the donated lots go directly to the Scholarship Fund. As Larry says, we will take email bids to the Gram until 2400 hours on Saturday 5 May. I will be monitoring the Gram at Headquarters so send in you bids. Earliest dated email breaks the tie bids.

The above rosters for the special events are the most up to date. Make sure if you plan to attend any of the planned events you are on the list.

as we have done in previous years we will send out the Gram from headquarters, hopefully every day so our readers who are not able to attend will know how we are getting on. For those of you who are planning on attending, have a safe trip and I will see you all on Thursday.

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Mail Call: SEND MAIL to: MPCGram@yahoo.com and to VIEW PICTURES go to: <http://photos.papermoneyworld.net>

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Dear Editor,

First George Fitzgerald Memorial Golf Event and Day
Thursday May 3 will be the first George Fitzgerald Memorial Golf event and day. The golf event will take place at Oak Harbor Golf Club

10433 County Rd. 17
Oak Harbor, OH 43449
Phone: 419-898-1493

Fest headquarters knows of four interested golfers for the event.

Al Glaserthepapertrader@verizon.net

Bill Hainesmrbill_76@comcast.net

Don Wilkerson dwilkfw@comcast.net

Larry Smulczenskiskitex@yahoo.com

We have made a reservation for 1100 May 3 (see below). Fees are \$20 including cart (9 holes \$16). Clubs are available. Transportation will leave Camp Leo May (Holiday Inn) at 1015. Additional golfers are encouraged. Please contact all of the above folks and info Fest HQ. I am hoping to have some special Fitzgerald recognition at the Bourse Banquet and bowling too! It should be a great day!

Dear Editor,

For Immediate publication in the Gram
All Festers who collect FEST Bonds, please bring your Bond collections to FEST XIII either the actual Bonds or copies will do. Hoping we can have a show and tell with all known varieties during the Bond rally at FEST. Thanks for your help, see you all at FEST. Al Glaser

Dear Editor,

Can I get John Chenys e mail address. I may have some info to share regarding the tokens. If you can't give me his, please give him mine: oth@prairieweb.com
I served with H&MS17, MWSG17, 1stMAW at Da Nang & Chu Lai in 67/68
Thanks
Larry Gibbs

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Fest XIII Training Schedule special theme prisoner of war money

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ALL PERSONNEL

Date/time Activity Personnel Trainer

Tuesday 1 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1700 work detail arrives present personnel The Boss
1700-2400 remedial bowling practice festers bowling coach

Wednesday 2 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim
0930-1700 Fest preparations work detail Fred
1700-1900 fish fry Jolly Roger The Boss
1900-2400 remedial bowling practice festers bowling coach

Thursday 3 May

0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim
0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim
0930-1830 bourse preparations select personnel David
1400-1800 George Fitzgerald memorial golf outing, interested personnel
1SG Glaser
1830-2100 bourse banquet @ Big Boppers all available Judy, Ken
2100-2400 bowling challenge all available Doug Bell
2400- bull session/swap meet all available Ski

Friday 4 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG
0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim
0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim
0830-1000 bourse set up work detail and dealers David
1000 bourse and Fest registration open all personnel Loretta
1000-1600 bourse all available David
 auction submission/viewing all interested Ski
1400-1500 bond collectors meeting all interested Catawba Board Room
Warner

1500-1600 JIM meeting all interested in bourse Shafer
1700-1730 new Fester training new Festers Doug, Warner
1730-1800 company meetings and pics all personnel 1SGs
1800-1930 dining out, Fest anniversary party all personnel Kim
1930-2045 opening festivities all personnel Fred
2045-2245 training, March Madness prelims all personnel TBA
2245-2330 pay call by company paymasters
2330-2400 bull session by company 1SGs
2400 px, canteen, casino closed Dick
2400 lights out by company 1SGs

Saturday 5 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG
0700-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0730-0800 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers
0800-0815 company and BN picture mess hall TBA
0815-0830 book releases and autograph party all personnel (bring short
snorters) Fred
0830-1200 show n tell all personnel Steve F.
1200-1240 chow all personnel Kim
1245-1255 sing along all personnel Kathy
1300-1430 keynote talk, March Madness all personnel Steve
1435-1755 show n tell all personnel Steve
1755-1800 nap individual
1800-1900 dining in, Fester birthday party all personnel Kim
1900-2100 March Madness finals all personnel Downey
2100-2200 awards, Fest XIII lottery all personnel Steve S.
2200 finance open for exchange operations bn clerk

2200-2230 poker training all players Brad

2230-2400 military poker game reenactment all players Brad

movie in mess hall interested personnel Joe B.

2200-2300 auction lot viewing (concurrent) all personnel Ski

2400 snack time (left overs) interested personnel mess sgt

2400 canteen & casino close all personnel Loretta/Dick

Sunday 6 May

0100 lights out, bed check all personnel 1SGs

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SG

0600-0800 chow all personnel Kim

0700-0745 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers

0700-0730 destruction of obsolete MFC select personnel Fred

0730-0800 auction lot viewing optional Ski

0800-1200 auction all personnel Ski

1200-1230 police call and early departures select personnel Harold

1200-1245 chow all personnel mess sgts

1245-1330 break camp available personnel Harold

1330-1830 field training, USS Cod interested personnel Bill Myers

1900-2000 fish fry mess hall Ken

2000-ca2200 special JIM show n tell Catwaba Board Room Dennis

2200-2400 movie mess hall Cuneyd

2401 bed check all personnel Judy

Monday 7 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim

0700-1600 walleye fishing interested personnel Brad

1830 local poker game (FRNs required) select personnel Fred

Tuesday 8 May

0700-0730 breakfast Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim

MPCFEST XIII - Price List

Fest registration double occupancy* 170

Fest registration single occupancy* 220

Hotel gratuity (one payment per FESTER) 8

Bourse table 125

Bourse banquet 15

Sunday fish fry 15

Spouse meal card 20

Bowling (2 games and shoes) 6

Sunday field trip 6

Fitzgerald golf event TBD

Monday fishing trip TBD

Additional nights (single occupancy) 50

Additional nights (double occupancy) 25

*includes lodging Friday and Saturday

and meals Fridayevening through Sun noon.

Coordinating instructions:

Problems etc contact the battalion clerk at 419 349 1872 (Schwan cell phone) alternate cell 419 202 0106 (Boss cell),

fredschwan@yahoo.com; or 419 732 7322 (Holiday Inn) kim@rutahotels.com

Auction items coordinate: Larry Smulczenski skitex@yahoo.com

Exhibits contact joeboling@aol.com.

Remarks: Saturday poker game will be a Texas holdem tournament with
\$25MFC buy in. >\$10,000MFC prizes

Holiday Inn Express, 50 NE Catawba Road, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452 419 732
7322

Big Boppers 419 734 4458

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

Any denomination of the Japtan island banknotes. I believe they were cent notes in different denominations (5,10,25 etc). These were printed I believe in the 50s in the Marshall Islands during the atomic bomb tests on Japtan island. They were printed by the US Navy. The next is a Midway Island 10 goonies short snorter note. This also has the test "The land of sand and Scaevola". The only denomination known is 10 goonies. Goonies are a local bird which lives on the Midway island. It was printed in the 1940s during World War 2 by the US Navy. Leeward islands 2 shilling and six pence; these were printed in the Caribbean. There are more denominations I believe; I am looking for any denomination. There are some rumours that these notes do not exist though, if anyone knows for sure it would be a great help! A 1903 Turks and Caicos Islands one pound note. I don't know about any other denominations, but if they exist please let me know. A Johnston Island 5 cent chit. I don't know much about this note but anything provided will help me a lot. I believe it is a World War 2 'chit' note printed again by navy or military crews. Finally a Ulithi lagoon 10 cent chit. I heard this was printed in World War 2 also, and was printed by the US Navy for use on the Ulithi lagoon. I have seen this note sell for \$11.50, but, unfortunately I missed the chance to get it. (http://www.coincommunity.com/go/_to.asp?target=http://www.ebay.com/itm/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&trksid=p4340.12557&hash=item5ae4b64d8e&item=390384209294&nma=true&pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&rt=nc&si=yyZJ0kAAgGnyOJsF9nvKSlVvaMY%253D&orig_cvip=true&rt=nc#ht_711wt_1396). There is another seller

on ebay who wants around 300 dollars for one, after seeing the first one sell for around 12 dollars, I personally think the second is asking for a bit much.

Ash Buck

ashbuck@ymail.com

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Apr 27-29

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Exhibits and Educational Programs

Show Contact Joseph LeBlanc

Email:jhl@michsoft.com

Show Info:www.michigancoinclub.org

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Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center

Dalton, GA. Apr 27-29

Free Parking

Show Contact: Tom Youngblood

Email:tom.youngblood@comcast.net

Show Info:www.gamoney.org

MPCFest XIII

Port Clinton, Ohio

May 4-6, 2012

Reservations call Holiday Inn Express

(419) 732-7322.

You must call to be registered. Registered to date:

Jim Aitken, Bill Myers, Kathy and Dan Freeland, Val May, Al Glaser, John Cheney, Jim Downey, Harold Kroll, Larry Smulczynski, Allen Berk, Cuneyd Tolek, Robert Drew, Brian Giese, Steve Swoish, Doug Bell, Ron Waddell, Neil Shafer, Jack Lippencott, Wes Hardy, Rod Hardy, Howard Daniel, Don Wilkinson David Seelye, Keith Bauman, Randy Poe, Adolf Witzke, Nick Schrier, Steve zfeller, George Salde, Bill Haines, Mike Buckley, Brett Irick, Dave Frank, Roger Urce, Dick Dunn, John Regitko, Ray Feller, Dick

and Loretta Freyser, Warner Talso, Louise and Joe Boling, Carlson Chambliss, Greg Fedner and Judy and Fred Schwan

ANA National Money Show

Colorado Convention Center

Denver, CO.

May 10-12, 2012

Admission charge to non-members

Educational Programs & Exhibits

Show information contact

Rhonda Scurek

scurek@money.org

Phone number (719) 482-9839

or (800) 367-9723

More information at

<http://www.money.org>

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Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

May 31-June 2

Admission charge (discount coupon available at show site)

Educational Programs

Auction by Heritage Auctions

<http://www.HA.com>

Phone Number (800) 872-6467

Contact Taryn Warreckertwarrecker@collectors.com

or visit their web pages at

<http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

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International Paper Money Show (IPMS)

Cook Convention Center

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Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

Admission Charge

Educational Programs, Club Meetings & Exhibits

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Calgary Alberta, Canada.

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Baltimore, MD

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Series 13, No. 2117Friday, 4 May 2012

Camp Leo May

Port Clinton , Ohio

After arriving at Detroit , it was a short wait and I met Dave Frank at the car rental. We had a nice ride and chat on the way to Headquarters. We met Larry and Jim Aitken and decided to get a little lunch where the conversation turned to US POW chits and the need for research on a state by state basis.

We walked back to the hotel and meet with Al Glaser, Don Wilkinson and Bill Haines who had just returned from the First Annual George Fitzgerald Memorial Golf Tournament. All reported a fine round at the par 72 Oak Harbor Links where Al shot an 84, Bill a 96 and Don an 84, although it was later revealed Dons score was for the second nine holes.

I then met Neil Shafer and became quite concerned when I did not see the brown briefcase. Not to worry, it was in his room. The briefcase was opened, but only symbolically, as all the notes were in a number of boxes with notes for his bourse table.

Looking through I found a few pieces notably two Spanish Civil War notes and a 20 Pengo Hungarian issue note to go along with the specimen already in my collection.

Other Festers were arriving and Fred introduced a 50-50 raffle with tickets at six for five dollars FRN. The stub featured a caricature of George Fitzgerald. Sales were brisk and continued at Big Boppers where we had assembled for the Fest XIII banquet. I should point out here that the raffle tickets were somewhat confusing in that they were marked Fest III instead of XIII and the portion stating hold this part was the one placed in the hat. In the end it all worked out. There were three prizes: First prize was the first issue 2012 Fest coin won by Brent Irick, appropriately stamped with the number 1; second prize was a \$10 Specimen Fest War Savings Certificate also with Georges

Caricature, won by Bob Olsen and the third prize was an uncut specimen sheet of the lottery tickets won by Ann Aitken. Two hundred twenty five dollars had been collected and it was decided to award three 50-50 prizes in amounts of \$17.50, \$40 and \$60 with the largest share going to John Regitko.

Fred challenged the assembly and, to no ones surprise, John Regitko again did not have his coin with him, so, again, he was up to buy the refreshments at the bowling alley.

The bowling competition was intense and after the first game, the four highest raw scores were Downey 201, Glaser 205, Swoish 183 and Bell 177. Fred finished at 105 and promptly challenged Glaser for the second game with the condition Al spot him 100 points. Al agreed but wanted 2-1 odds. After it was all over, Al finished with 183 and Fred at 166. With the 100 pin handicap Fred won in a walk away. When interviewed following his win Fred said he had watched the movie Kingpin the week beforein preparation for the competition. The strategy worked and Al got Munsoned The final results will be posted later after all the handicapping has been done and

account taken for the uneven lanes causing, what Ski reported were, a number of misses on his part. This unevenness, no doubt, contributed greatly to the amount of gutter balls thrown.

Friday morning saw the opening of the bourse with nine dealer tables all of which were active. Three club meetings are scheduled for later in the day and we will report on them in the next Gram.

Fest XIII Training Schedule Addendum

Attached is the final (I think DRAFT) of the welcome packet including company and duty assignments. Included in the packet and listed below are the items requiring coordination (payment). I am particularly interested in nailing down the Thursday night bourse banquet. We have always done poorly at that. I have filled that (and the other lists) in with what I know based on what you told me, hotel reservations, and past years. Especially for the bourse banquet, tell me if I have it wrong.

We have some new things planned for the bourse banquet so we hope to see you there.

Festing has started. Harold and Ski are here. We are all excited and working too. See you soon.

Fred n The Boss

Fitzgerald Golf outing
Al Glaser
Bill Haines
Don Wilkinson
Steve Swoish

Bourse Banquet (Thursday evening 1900-2100)
Alpha Company
Al Glaser
Robert Drew
Neil Shafer
Carlson Chambliss
David Hunsicker
John Regitko
Jim Aitken
Ann Aitken
Dick Dunn
Mike Buckley

Bravo Company
Bill Myers
Jim Downey
Dave Frank
Randy Poe
Bill Haines, Bill
Don Wilkinson

Charlie Company
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Kathy Freeland
Larry Smulczenski
Karen Jach
Brian Giese
John Cheney
Howard Daniel
Bob Olson
Dick Freyser
Loretta Freyser
Joe Boling
Louise Boling
Roger Urce
Brett Irick
Harold Kroll
George Slade
Betty Slade
James Capps
Nancy Capps

Hq Company
Fred Schwan
Judy Schwan
Val May

Cod reservations (Sun afternoon)

- 1 Kathy Freeland
- 2 Dan Freeland
- 3 Loretta Freyser
- 4 Dick Freyser
- 5 Bill Myers
- 6 Larry Smulczenski
- 7 Dave Frank
- 8 Mike Buckley
- 9 Louise Boling
- 10 Joe Boling
- 11 John Regitko
- 12 Dick Dunn
- 13 Brian Giese
- 14 Harold Kroll (bubble)
- 16 John Cheney
- 17 Bob Liske (local, bubble)
- 18 Roger Urce

Fishing (Mon morning)

Bob Olson
Dave Frank
Jack Lippincot
Brian Giese
John Cheney
Robert Drew

Fish Fry (Sunday evening)

TBD, all personnel staying in the hotel are assumed to be attending.

Following is a preview of the 2012 Fest Auction. Gramsters are invited to bid on the various lots, even if you are not attending the Fest. Simply send an email with the lot number and your bid to the Gram by 2400 hours, Saturday evening, May 5th. If you win lots, they will be mailed to you from Fest Headquarters. You will be invoiced for your winning items along with a ten per cent (10%) buyers fee plus postage. The amount listed at the end of each lot is a minimum bid. Good luck to all that choose to bid.

Lot Cnty/Subj Description Min Bid Don

1 China Bond Patriotic Aviation Bond with Boeing P-26 vignette. \$10 value (in Chinese) SB 8132. CU \$10.00 Y

2 MRE If you like barbeque then this #2 MRE is for you. Featuring a barbequed pork rib with sides and desert. A heater is included. This is a Texas special . \$3.00 Y

3 MRE Another delicacy but this time for Italian food lover. MRE #13 is the Cheese Tortellini with sides and a desert. A heater is also included. All you need to provide is the checkered table cloth and wine. \$3.00 Y

4 Souvenir Card A beautiful limited edition engraved card featuring an eagle with outstretched wings from FUN 2012. Only 100 were printed. This is number 80. \$5.00 Y

5 Coins Twenty different coins from WWII. The start of a new collecting interest for those that cannot find anything new to add to their collections. Circulated. \$4.00 Y

6 Mini-Fest Notes An ANA Mini-Fest note from Chicago 2011 (#5), the number 38 note from the dinner with Helen Rappaport (autographed, a Hollocast survivor), the #21, 2012 FUN Mini- Fest note plus Fest XII Field Trip note # 9. \$4.00 Y

7 Mini-Fest Notes A similar set of four notes as above except all with serial number 4. \$4.00 Y

8 Mini-Fest Notes A similar set of four notes as above except all with serial number 6. \$4.00 Y

9 Stamps A large lot of 292 World War II stamps, (273 different) Catalog over \$100. Used and unused \$25.00

10 First Day Covers Two covers from the Philippines. (1) Limbagan-1943, 12c on 20c, Jap. Occ. (2) 1945 w/7 diff Victory stamps \$4.00

11 WWII Coins Lot of 18 different. Some silver. Includes Australia, Belgium, Netherlands, Philippines. \$15.00

12 Ration Items Three items. (1) Unused ration check w/ stub-Shoes, Malta NB, OH., (2) Unused deposit slip-Shoes, Malta NB, OH., and (3) Used ration check, Meat etc, Haverhill NB, MA. \$3.00

13 USA Proof Coin 1973S Eisenhower 40% Silver Proof One Dollar. \$17.00

14 USA Proof Set 1990S Prestige Proof set with 90% silver Eisenhower Centennial Dollar \$25.00

15 Military Tokens Nice lot of 13 different military tokens. VF-Unc. \$10.00

16 Allied Banknotes Three items. (1) Great Britain 10 shilling SB 103 VG, (2) Malta 10 shilling SB 4206a VG, and (3) New Caledonia 5 Francs SB 1624 F+ \$5.00

17 China Puppet Bank Lot of six notes. (1) P-J69; SB 1112 F+, (2) P-J72; SB1096 XF, (3) P-J83a; SB 1118a1 VG, (4) P-J80; SB 1114 F+, (5) P-J88; SB 1121a F, and (6) P-J90; SB 1126a XF. \$10.00

18 MPC Series 661 \$5 CU \$20.00

19 MPC Replacement Series 692 25c REPLACEMENT. Serial Number E00122131. VG \$25.00

20 Germany WHW Kriegswinterhilfswerk 5 RMk with Red overprint. SB363b2 Unc. \$15.00

21 Germany WHW Kriegswinterhilfswerk 5 RMk with Roman numeral II before serial number. SB 373 Unc. \$15.00

22 Documents State of Illinois Veterans Bonus Notification Warrant Card and a War Bonds and Stamps Purchaser's Order. \$4.00

23 Korea Coupon Ten cent MPC Coupon, Series 3. 1/4 slit at center fold. VG \$125.00

24 Allied Fest Certificate Summer Seminar 2011 AFC notes stamped BANQUET. 5, 25 and 75 Zloty stamped 50 ONLY. \$15.00 Y

25 Allied Fest Certificate Another lot like the one above. \$15.00 Y

26 Allied Fest Certificate Summer Seminar 2011 AFC notes stamped BANQUET. 5 and 25 zloty plus \$1 series 091 stamped BANQUET \$15.00 Y

27 ANA Banquet notes 2011 ANA Banquet Series 120, Convention Certificates. \$1, \$2 (SN 1*) and \$4. \$30.00 Y

28 ANA Banquet notes 2011 ANA Banquet Series 120, Convention Certificates. \$1 and \$2 (water stain) \$15.00 Y

29 Allied Fest Certificate Summer Seminar 2011 AFC notes. 5, 25 and 75 Zloty. \$15.00 Y

30 Mini-Fest Certificate Colorado Springs July 2011, \$25 MFC. \$5.00 Y

31 Denmark Small Change Five WWII Danish Encased Postage Stamps. SB-171 type. Nice examples \$20.00

32 Hawaii Gas Coupon WWII Ration Coupon for 5 Gallons of Gasoline issued by Office of Military Governor. Small thin. \$40.00

33 Australian Receipt. Issued for War Savings Certificates. Rust stains from staples in upper left and upper right corners \$20.00

34 U.S. Savings Bond One hundred dollar Bicentennial Bond with Valley Forge vignette. Issued Dec 75. New. \$40.00

35 Collectable Book Pocket Edition of the Heath's Infallible Counterfeit Detector. Fifteenth Ed. 1887. Some pages are foxed. \$100.00

36 Ration Coupon Great Britain Petrol, 10 units, Y/A, Valid 18 Aug 1957 \$8.00

37 Ration Coupon Jersey Petrol, 1 unit, valid 30 Nov 1950 \$8.00

38 Checks Three different style checks, same customer written on Red Bud Bank, Red Bud, IL. 1917-26. Two sets avail. \$3.00 Y

39 Savings Bonds Two \$25 Bonds, Fowler (1966) and Kennedy (1971) signatures. \$45.00

40 Commemorative Wood Three centennial flats, (1) Fremont OH, 1949 (2) Adrian MI, 1963 with inverted reverse and (3) Rantoul IL, 1954 \$3.00 Y

41 Konversionkasse Bonds Three Teilgutschein (fractional bond certificate) from Holland. Each with a different interest rate. Jan. 1936 \$100.00

42 Medal Fiftieth Anniversary Montgomery Bus Boycott Medal (Rosa Parks) \$10.00

43 Latvia Ten Punkte note. KR20a. 30 April 1945. Nice clean note. \$75.00

44 Russia Fifteen pieces with overprints. Mavrodi Pyramid Scheme. \$25.00

45 Food Stamp Credits Strip of six tickets which were used with orange Food Stamps. Three 1 cent, two 5 cent and one 10 cent. \$15.00

46 Poker Chips Set of four pieces from Fest X. Includes \$1, \$5, \$10 and Fest X token. \$25.00

47 Malaya JIM One Dollar. Tougher Block MI. UNC \$6.00

48 Malaya JIM One Dollar. Block MS. UNC \$5.00

49 MPC Series 641, 5, 10, 25 cent \$1, and \$10. All serial numbers end 641 \$12.00

50 MPC Five Full House Poker Hand serial numbered notes \$10.00

51 MPC Series 641. Complete circulated set. 5 cent to 10 dollars. \$15.00

52 MPC Thirty mixed notes. 5cent to 5 dollars. Average circulated. \$45.00

53 Gas Coupon Coupon for 10 liters of Benzine. For use by German Forces in German Federal Republic. \$20.00

54 Note assortment Twenty pieces of mixed Marks, Lire, Yen, Sen and Pesos. \$25.00

55 Note assortment British Military Authority, 1 and 5 Shilling; Italian AMC 10 and 50 Lire. Circulated \$25.00

56 Greenland Tokens Four Piece set, Narssarssuaq Kantinen Aluminum Meal Tokens. UNC \$75.00

57 Treasury Award Cert. Disney Characters, U.S. Treasury War Bond Committee Award given to new parents w/ Bond Purchase, SB363 \$50.00 Y

58 POW Chit Ft. Niagara, NY Camp Canteen. 1 cent chit. SN 2821F. Campbell 8145a \$35.00 Y

59 Germany POW Issues Lot of three pieces. General POW issue with large red triangle. 1, 2 and 5 RMk SB 194, 195 and 196 \$35.00 Y

60 Money Order U.S. Postal Military money order from APO 97029 with receipt. 1980. \$25.00

61 Military Check AMEX Military Banking Facility Cancelled check from USAF Upper Heyford dated 3 May, 1957. \$5.00

62 Saving Bond Pamphlets Group of four war bond pamphlets, 2 from 2nd, 1 each from 3rd and 5th War Loan. All fresh. \$14.00

63 Japanese AMC Two B-series 20 yen notes. One a regular issue, the other a replacement \$155.00

64 Military Check AMEX MPC check unused with stub from Nuremburg branch, Germany. 1947. CU \$125.00

65 Statement and Checks Monthly statement with 19 checks from APO 09154, Stuttgart, Germany, Dec 67-Jan 68 \$45.00

66 MBF Check WWII Schofield Barracks unused check with stub from Bishop National Bank, Honolulu, Hawaii \$10.00

67 Savings Bond Series E, \$25 Bicentennial Bond, April 1977. \$20.00

68 Window sticker WWII Fourth War Loan window sticker. Unused \$5.00

69 Window sticker WWII Red Cross War Fund Drive window sticker. (2) 1944 and 45. Unused \$5.00

70 War Bond Pamphlets Two War Savings Bond pamphlets, one each from 4th and 6th war loan drives. New \$9.00

71 MPC Short set from Series 471. 5c, 10c, 25c, 50c and \$1. nice circ. \$40.00

72 AFC notes Set of six notes from 2011 ANA Summer Seminar includes two star notes. \$20.00

73 Military Pass Holder WWII leather military pass and ID holder and two copies of military orders from APO 407 Munich District. \$16.00

74 Military Form DD Form 2A (RES) 1 Mar 1959. Red in color. Unused \$40.00

75 Escourt Badge US Army from Sacramento Depot. Control item 038. Laminated in plastic. \$5.00

76 Ration Book WWII U.S. Ration Book #3. Used but with a lot of coupons. \$10.00 Y

77 Ration Book Similar to the one above but Ration Book #4. \$10.00 Y

78 U.S. North Africa note. Yellow seal Silver Certificate REPLACEMENT. Graded as AU 55. Really tough note. \$2,000.00

79 Defense Bond U.S. \$100 Large Size Series E Defense Bond. Issued February 1942. \$350.00

80 Canadian Envelopes Four WWII envelopes mailed from Camp Borden, Ont. (one with a V - cancel) \$5.00

81 Post Cards Eight real photo post cards from Fort Lewis, Washington \$10.00

82 Post Cards Four WWII Humor post cards \$10.00

83 Post Cards Three 1921 post cards of Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass. \$5.00

84 Post Cards Three real photo cards , two of which show the German front near Reims \$5.00

85 Post Cards Three real photo cards, naval scenes at Great Lakes, and old planes over Pensacola, Fla. \$5.00

86 Window Banner WWII Window banner with three stars for members "Serving Overseas" \$15.00 Y

87 Viet Nam envelopes Nine postally used envelopes "Viet Nam Cong Hoa" stamps. \$5.00

88 Agent Badge Official U.S. Defense Agent Badge for Defense Stamp sales \$5.00

89 Window Banner WWII banner, "Serving in the U.S. Merchant Marine" (Eagle Ships for Victory) \$20.00

90 Window Banner WWII banner, "Serving in the U.S. Coast Guard" (Coast Guard emblem) \$20.00

91 Book WWII in Pictures. Hard Cover Book, 256 pages. \$10.00

92 Chit Five cent chit from "The Breakers" Navy Recreation Center, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii. \$5.00

93 Trip Specimen Specimen ticket for the 2012 post Fest trip to the USS Cod in Cleveland. \$10.00 Y

94 Trip Replacement A Replacement ticket for the 2012 post Fest trip to the USS Cod in Cleveland \$10.00 Y

95 Belgium local issue Town of Pipaix. Set includes 10, 25, 50 centimes, 1 and 5 francs. S/B 1061-65. All CU \$50.00

96 Germany AMC Russian printing of 1/2 Mk. S/B 191. Some dirt. Fine. \$25.00

97 Ireland tokens Set of four tokens from the Curragh Internment Camp. VF/XF. SB 211-214 pg 460 \$400.00

98 Movie ticket chit Chit from the Minidoka Internment Camp in Hunt, Idaho. Plate note from Feller and Feller \$180.00

99 Belgium overstamp Post WWII redemption stamp from Liege on German 20 Mk Pick181. Fine. \$100.00

100 Beer Ration Card Enlisted Men's Service Club (no location). American Beer on Front, Japanese Beer on Back. Small piece missing on right side. Interesting. VF \$25.00

101 Payment Voucher United Nations Refugee Office (UNRO) Receipt "for ship passages of UNRO Eligibles from Shanghai to Hong Kong". ETD 26 June 1954. \$50.00

102 Bernhard Note Ten Pound Operation Bernhard note. Graded as XF-40. Missing LR corner and small thin in right margin \$110.00

- 103 Australian Postal Note Ten Shillings note from Queensland dated 2 April 1945 paid to payee from the Philippines. \$110.00
- 104 MFC Two framed uncut sheets of MFC series 2002 in custom 18.5" x 26" frames with both sides viewable. \$100.00
- 105 YMCA Chit Book WWI original full booklet of ten 3 pence chits. Dated 13 Sep 1918. Very Rare. \$500.00
- 106 Fiji Note Emergency Overprint on New Zealand note. One pound note. SB 1376a Graded Choice Fine -15 \$250.00
- 107 India POW receipt Property receipt for a POW at an Indian Camp. Dated 20 Mar. 1944 \$10.00
- 108 Rare MFC Issued at opening of the ANA Museum's exhibit of WWII currency. Series 022 overprinted "Rendezvous with Destiny, the Money of WWII, December 7, 2002" The one and two dollar notes with serial number 12. \$100.00
- 109 MPC replacement Series 521, one dollar replacement SN E00434835. Fine \$350.00
- 110 MPC Series 521 five dollar note. Graded as XF 45. with light foxing. \$300.00
- 111 German Lottery Sheet of 40 one-eighth chance tickets from the 13th Reichslotterie. Reserve
- 112 German Lottery Sheet of 20 one-quarter chance tickets from the 13th Reichslotterie. Reserve
- 113 Special Edition One of the newly released "World War II Paper Money and Financial Documents of Nazi Germany Special Editions. Donated by the Editor to benefit the scholarship fund--bid generously \$2.00
- 114 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped by balloon on Germany by Allies. Written in German telling the population that the war is coming to an end. Has several small holes. VF \$10.00
- 115 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped on Vietnam by French in 1950's, two languages saying that Indochinese Union would win the war. VF \$7.00
- 116 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped by Germans on English, encouraging them to become POW's and survive instead of being killed. VF \$10.00
- 117 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped by Germans on American Forces with usual lines of propaganda and demoralizing thoughts. VF \$10.00
- 118 Safe Conduct Pass Targeted at African-Americans by Germans to give up and return home to their children. Fine+ \$10.00

119 Propaganda Leaflet Smaller German item targeting Canadian troops saying that the British do not appreciate them. Leaflet has corner damage that does not effect the printed portion. \$8.00

120 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped by Germans on Allies discussing the end of the war. Topics include Russians, WWII and those who die in the last few minutes. This leaflet sold for \$25 several years ago. XF \$25.00

121 Safe Conduct Pass Korean War, printed in Blue and Red with MacArthur signature. XF \$10.00

122 Encased Cent Aluminum cent with advertising on one side and proclaiming Victory, V-E and V-J Day. \$2.00 Y

123 Aluminum Pin Made in the shape of Italy with a star. \$1.00 Y

124 Japanese Savings Book Soldier's Postal Savings Deposit Book. Large Size. VF \$5.00 Y

125 Japanese Savings Book Similar to previous item but thinner. Soldier and Battleship on cover VF \$5.00 Y

126 Japanese Prayer Book Small size, most likely from WWII. Nice shape \$3.00 Y

127 Fed. Ger. Rep. Ten DM Special Army Currency. 1948 printed by ABNC. SB 655a Fine \$14.00

128 Fed. Ger. Rep. Bank Deutscher Lander Ten DM. 1949 printed by ABNC. SB 685a F-VF \$12.00

129 Oceania JIM Three REPLICA notes. 1/2 and 1 shilling plus 1 pound. First two are unc, pound had light center fold. Choice \$70.00

130 Propaganda Leaflet Arabic anti-English text on the back of a reprint Bank of England one pound note. Fine w/repared edge tears. \$25.00

131 Australia coins Two 1d coins. 1943 and 1944, both brown. AU \$2.00

132 Philippines Series 66, One peso Victory STAR note. SB 2321r Fine \$10.00 Y

133 Philippines JIM A 1000 peso note with barely perceptible soaking. Paper toned tan. SB 2233a \$4.00 Y

134 China Farmers Bank 100 yuan, with postal censor stamp "Passed by Army Examiner". P477a \$5.00 Y

135 Ionian Islands One drachma, used during Italian occupation of islands. SB 531. Good \$1.00 Y

136 UK stamp Commemorative 50p. Fiftieth Anniversary of D-Day in illustrated folder. Unc. \$3.00 Y

- 137 Post Card War Dept. penalty mail, 25 Oct 1924. Acknowledgement of application for Adjusted Compensation. \$1.00 Y
- 138 Ration Envelope Envelope for gasoline ration book. W.H. Bowden & Sons, Weatherford, Tex. With 18 A and B gas ration stamps \$5.00 Y
- 139 Launch Cover Commemorative of the launching of cruiser USS New Orleans, 12 Apr. 1933, Brooklyn Navy Yard cancellation. \$5.00 Y
- 140 Propaganda >From The Young China Club (Chinatown Merchants, no city specified) advocating boycott of Japanese goods. \$20.00 Y
- 141 France AMC Two Franc Replacement. SB 142r. VG \$40.00 Y
- 142 U.S. Coin Lincoln Cent with "V" embossed into it. Small hole at bottom for some kind of suspension (missing). \$2.00 Y
- 143 "E" Award Medal Curtis Wright Corp., Airplane Div., Buffalo NY, 20 Aug, 1942. 76mm heavy bronze medal celebrating receipt of the Army/ Navy "E" Award. "E" flag and two aircraft on obverse. Uncirculated. \$45.00 Y
- 144 Food coupons Series 1989A USDA \$2.00 booklet complete. Serial number A19407749A \$12.00
- 145 Food coupon Series 1992B USDA \$1.00 coupon. Serial number E58012696B \$3.00
- 146 AMC France France Back Fifty Franc Replacement note. S/B 121r. Fine \$45.00
- 147 Propaganda note Japanese 10 yen note with U.S. message #2009 on back. Translation included. SB 169 \$40.00
- 148 Propaganda note Japanese 10 yen note with U.S. message #2034 on back. SB 172. Issued note attached. CU \$50.00
- 149 MPC Series 651 \$1.00 Replacement???? Apparent thinning in the vicinity of suffix letter. Possible erasure. \$8.00
- 150 WWII Book "My Savings Book For Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps" (1941). Childs learning tool with actual coins and cartoon caricatures. Contains 30 pennies, 9 nickles, 5 dimes and 3 quarters--all dated prior to 1942. Cover of book loose. \$100.00
- 151 Souvenir Card Issued in conjunction with the Helen Rappaport dinner. See the background on this item at the end of the sale. \$25.00 Y
- 152 Magazine. Article printed in ANA Monthly Magazine by Judy Schwan. "Gold Love Tokens" \$2.00 Y
- 153 Wedding Sheets Better qualify that!!! These are sheets of the Wedding Certificates. Uncut sheets of four notes. Only two exist. The Toleks have one. Your chance to own the only other. \$50.00 Y

154 Konversionkasse Bond Four per cent, Issued for Holland, 1000 Gulden, Series 1 dated 1 Nov. 1935 \$10.00

155 War Bond A \$25 small size bond sold on Jan 45 and paid on Aug 18, 1945. It has a vivid Army War Bond Office stamp along with two paid stamps. The bond has a hole cancel at the top center. Bond most likely comes from the Oklahoma hoard. \$15.00 Y

156 War Bond Similar to the lost item except this one was issued on May 44 and paid on Dec 14, 1944. It has a double hole cancel at the top center. Also most likely from the Oklahoma hoard. \$15.00 Y

157 Israel change tokens Three 5 prutot small-change cardboard tokens of the early 1950s. Issued by a bus company in city of Haifa \$8.00 Y

158 Israel coupon booklet Issued in 1984-5 to the Defense Forces. Contains 315 coupons with total face value of 6000 sheqalim. Unusual \$20.00 Y

159 Philippine Guerrilla Mindanao Emergency Currency Board, 1943-4. 2 peso (1) and 5 pesos (3). All different VF-XF \$10.00 Y

160 Philippine Guerrilla Mindanao, 10 pesos (5) 1943-4. All different. VF-AU \$12.00 Y

161 Philippine Guerrilla Mindanao, 20 pesos (7) 1943-4. All different. Fine to CU. Most VF-XF. \$15.00 Y

162 Manuscript proof New (2012) Chambliss Catalog of MPCs. 152 pages, original first copy , featuring notes and corrections by author. \$25.00 Y

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Spain was neutral during World War II, however, there is an issue of notes associated with Spain. What are the notes and where were they used?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

In 1941. a small change note was introduced for the Colonia de Mocambique. What was the denomination?

ANSWER:

50 centavos.

George Slade

ANSWER:

50 Centavos

Frank Clark

ANSWER:

50 centavos

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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It's good to be here at the Fest and to get reacquainted with old friends. There were cancellations: Warner and Jane Talso couldn't make it and the hope is all is well and getting better. Dr. and Mrs. Tolek also had to cancel as did Allen Berk. They are all missed.

As you see there were new addtions to the Training Schedule and they were well received and we all had some fun with them. More activities are planned for Friday with meetings for Bond collectors, JIM collectors and those of us who collect Viet Nam tokens.

Remember, if you want to bid in the auction, we will take bids up to midnight on Saturday.

No one answered the previous question so I will leave it up until someone does.

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to:<http://photos.papermoneyworld.net>

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Fest XIII Training Schedule special theme prisoner of war money

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ALL PERSONNEL

Date/time Activity Personnel Trainer

Tuesday 1 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1700 work detail arrives present personnel The Boss

1700-2400 remedial bowling practice festers bowling coach

Wednesday 2 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1700 Fest preparations work detail Fred

1700-1900 fish fry Jolly Roger The Boss

1900-2400 remedial bowling practice festers bowling coach

Thursday 3 May

0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1830 bourse preparations select personnel David

1400-1800 George Fitzgerald memorial golf outing, interested personnel
1SG Glaser

1830-2100 bourse banquet @ Big Boppers all available Judy, Ken

2100-2400 bowling challenge all available Doug Bell

2400- bull session/swap meet all available Ski

Friday 4 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG

0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0830-1000 bourse set up work detail and dealers David

1000 bourse and Fest registration open all personnel Loretta

1000-1600 bourse all available David

auction submission/viewing all interested Ski

1400-1500 bond collectors meeting all interested Catawba Board Room
Warner

1500-1600 JIM meeting all interested in bourse Shafer

1700-1730 new Fester training new Festers Doug, Warner

1730-1800 company meetings and pics all personnel 1SGs

1800-1930 dining out, Fest anniversary party all personnel Kim

1930-2045 opening festivities all personnel Fred

2045-2245 training, March Madness prelims all personnel TBA

2245-2330 pay call by company paymasters

2330-2400 bull session by company 1SGs

2400 px, canteen, casino closed Dick

2400 lights out by company 1SGs

Saturday 5 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG

0700-0800 chow all personnel Kim

0730-0800 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers

0800-0815 company and BN picture mess hall TBA

0815-0830 book releases and autograph party all personnel (bring short snorters) Fred

0830-1200 show n tell all personnel Steve F.

1200-1240 chow all personnel Kim

1245-1255 sing along all personnel Kathy

1300-1430 keynote talk, March Madness all personnel Steve

1435-1755 show n tell all personnel Steve

1755-1800 nap individual

1800-1900 dining in, Fester birthday party all personnel Kim

1900-2100 March Madness finals all personnel Downey

2100-2200 awards, Fest XIII lottery all personnel Steve S.

2200 finance open for exchange operations bn clerk

2200-2230 poker training all players Brad

2230-2400 military poker game reenactment all players Brad

movie in mess hall interested personnel Joe B.

2200-2300 auction lot viewing (concurrent) all personnel Ski

2400 snack time (left overs) interested personnel mess sgt

2400 canteen & casino close all personnel Loretta/Dick

Sunday 6 May

0100 lights out, bed check all personnel 1SGs

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SG

0600-0800 chow all personnel Kim

0700-0745 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers

0700-0730 destruction of obsolete MFC select personnel Fred

0730-0800 auction lot viewing optional Ski

0800-1200 auction all personnel Ski

1200-1230 police call and early departures select personnel Harold

1200-1245 chow all personnel mess sgts
1245-1330 break camp available personnel Harold
1330-1830 field training, USS Cod interested personnel Bill Myers
1900-2000 fish fry mess hall Ken
2000-ca2200 special JIM show n tell Catwaba Board Room Dennis
2200-2400 movie mess hall Cunejd
2401 bed check all personnel Judy

Monday 7 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim
0700-1600 walleye fishing interested personnel Brad
1830 local poker game (FRNs required) select personnel Fred

Tuesday 8 May

0700-0730 breakfast Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim

MPCFEST XIII - Price List

Fest registration double occupancy* 170
Fest registration single occupancy* 220
Hotel gratuity (one payment per FESTER) 8
Bourse table 125
Bourse banquet 15
Sunday fish fry 15
Spouse meal card 20
Bowling (2 games and shoes) 6
Sunday field trip 6
Fitzgerald golf event TBD

Monday fishing trip TBD

Additional nights (single occupancy) 50

Additional nights (double occupancy) 25

*includes lodging Friday and Saturday
and meals Fridayevening through Sun noon.

Coordinating instructions:

Problems etc contact the battalion clerk at 419 349 1872 (Schwan cell phone) alternate cell 419 202 0106 (Bosss cell),

fredschwan@yahoo.com; or 419 732 7322 (Holiday Inn) kim@rutahotels.com

Auction items coordinate: Larry Smulczenski skitex@yahoo.com

Exhibits contact joeboling@aol.com.

Remarks: Saturday poker game will be a Texas holdem tournament with \$25MFC buy in. >\$10,000MFC prizes

Holiday Inn Express, 50 NE Catawba Road, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452 419 732 7322

Big Boppers 419 734 4458

Editor's Note

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LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

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collector. The point is to make the Gram more interesting. In all cases
confirm your order via email first. Ads will run for approximately two
weeks.

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for
listing here.

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WANTED

Any denomination of the Japtan island banknotes. I believe they were cent
notes in different denominations (5,10,25 etc). These were printed I
believe in the 50s in the Marshall Islands during the atomic bomb tests

on Japtan island. They were printed by the US Navy. The next is a Midway Island 10 goonies short snorter note. This also has the test "The land of sand and Scaevola". The only denomination known is 10 goonies. Goonies are a local bird which lives on the Midway island. It was printed in the 1940s during World War 2 by the US Navy. Leeward islands 2 shilling and six pence; these were printed in the Caribbean. There are more denominations I believe; I am looking for any denomination. There are some rumours that these notes do not exist though, if anyone knows for sure it would be a great help! A 1903 Turks and Caicos Islands one pound note. I don't know about any other denominations, but if they exist please let me know. A Johnston Island 5 cent chit. I don't know much about this note but anything provided will help me alot. I believe it is a World War 2 'chit' note printed again by navy or military crews. Finally a Ulithi lagoon 10 cent chit. I heard this was printed in World War 2 also, and was printed by the US Navy for use on the Ulithi lagoon. I have seen this note sell for \$11.50, but, unfortunately I missed the chance to get it. (http://www.coincommunity.com/go/_to.asp?target=http://www.ebay.com/itm/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&_trksid=p4340.12557&hash=item5ae4b64d8e&item=390384209294&nma=true&pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&rt=nc&si=yyZJ0kAAgGnyOJsF9nvKSlVvaMY%253D&orig_cvip=true&rt=nc#ht_711wt_1396). There is another seller on ebay who wants around 300 dollars for one, after seeing the first one sell for around 12 dollars, I personally think the second is asking for a bit much.

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Cook Convention Center

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Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

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Series 13, No. 2118 Sunday, 6 May 2012

Camp Leo May

Port Clinton, Ohio

The bourse was active with all the tables busy with Festers. There was very little if any outside traffic. I added a few items to my collection, the prize piece being another Italian Partisan note. Continuing on an Italian theme, I found another WW II era check, this one from a bank in Pisa, and examples of both BEP and Forbes printed 500 and 1000 Lira AMC notes. A nice set of stamps from Burma which were overprinted MILY ADMIN and featured a vignette of King George VI were also available and they will make the trip home with my other finds.

Three special collector meetings were held during bourse hours. The first was a bond meeting which, by reports, was well attended and quite informative. Jim Aitken has promised to send us a detailed report.

JIM collectors gathered and shared their unusual pieces including some modern fantasies claiming to be printers proofs, a one peso Rizal Monument piece with and inverted watermark, a genuine Philippine 10 peso note with missing block numbers and an NEI notes with inverted block numbers. Another interesting piece was a 10 peso from the Philippines with a typewritten message on the back which read Luzon Guerrilla Army Forces Civilian Pass for entry into Tarnate Non Transferrable

John Cheney and Bob Olsen brought some Festers together to talk about club tokens issued during the Viet Nam war. The tokens were originally used in slot machines and for purchases at various clubs throughout the country. When it was determined those in charge of the 400-500 clubs were skimming the profits, the use of the tokens was ordered discontinued and all were to be either buried or dropped into the sea. This accounts for many being available today in poor condition. There are approximately 2300 different issues from all the services and the most common, and easiest denomination to find is the five cent piece, with the ten piece being the least common. Denominations run as high as \$20. Most available for collectors are circulated and are now modestly priced and available. Jim advised he is writing a book on these tokens and expects it to be available in the near future and would ask our readers who may have any pictures of the clubs in which these tokens were used to forward them to the Gram or to him directly at:

vntoken@hotmail.com

Typically Friday evening begins with a welcome and a tribute to fallen members. A moment of silence was observed for Mike Cummings, Leo May, Robert Kutcher, Tom Warburton and George Fitzgerald who passed away in the past year. After the introductions, new Festers Ray Potter of Dayton, Ohio and Jim Capps of Sanford, Florida were welcomed to the fold.

Presentations started off with Steve Feller showing some examples of new finds for the next edition of Feller and Feller. They prop note from the mover The Counterfeiters, a 50 rf Jewish Winterhilfswerk note, a Warsaw ghetto lottery ticket, a Crystal City (Texas) five cent clotting coupon, a 20 mark sliver Lutz ghetto token and a small change chit from Camp Hay.

The presentation was the story acquisition of a second set series 701 MPC from the first printing which was discovered in Anderson, Indiana at a retirement banquet and, unlike the other set in the ANA museum, has holes punched in the notes. Fred recounted how he became aware of the sets existence and made a call and arranged for the sale. The price, of course, was not disclosed but the Freysers who are the proud new owners were eager to show off the set.

John Cheney passed around a copy of the first edition of Leaf Art from the Korean War signed by Sgt. P.L. Wolfgeher. The book also contained an attachment on communist indoctrination.

Next was a challenge coin from the White House Military Office which was shown by Loretta Freyser, which was designed her daughter. Tamatha Ann Freyer Kidd who works in the office. Shown were the initial drawings and designs and the finished coin.

Fred was up again with a new discovery that he found at CPMX earlier this year. He had been aware of the item and he recounted the saga of its ultimate purchase. After keeping us in suspense he revealed he had acquired a \$10 Soldiers War Savings Bond, Series E, dated June 1944 bearing serial number X1E. The bond had been a presentation piece and was in a frame along with a letter to the original owner.

Another new discovery was a piece of trench art in the form of an M48 tank carving on a challenge coin. Both the bond and the carving were depicted on a special souvenir card.

After a dinner break, March (make that May) madness started with thirty eight original contestants who were pitted head to head to face thirteen other who had been given first round buys.

Saturday morning, after breakfast, all posed for the FEST XII battalion photo and autograph session after which is was back to Camp Leo May to continue with the education program.

MFC book author Al Glaser started us off by introducing a new CD which is up to date to Fest XII and a little beyond with all MFC issues. The CD will now replace the printed pages and will be augmented with new issues as they are discovered/created. There is a new section featuring all the Fest challenge coins and the CD will be expanded to include souvenir cards. It is available for \$10 MFC or FRN.

Carlson Chambliss introduced his new MPC book which contains commentary and color images of all MPC issues to include Series 691 and 701. It was as up to date as it could possibly be until the announcement of the newly discovered hole punched set of the first printing of series 701 now in the Freysers collection. The book is available for \$20 from the author.

World War II Paper Money and Financial Instruments of Nazi Germany had literally just arrived from the printer and was presented with much fanfare by the author, Harold Kroll. The book contains over 700 color photographs and images and describes Reichbank issues, German Army issues, Auxiliary Payment Certificates, Clearing notes, Reichs Credit

Treasury notes, POW issues, Konversionskasse, Winterhilswerk, German lotteries, Steuergutrschein, Bordanweisung, and Ships travelers checks. The book features introduction by Fred Schwan and was edited by Joe Boling. Notes from the collections of Neil Shafer and Larry Smulczenski along with the authors personal collection are featrured. [This is a well designed and beautifully produced and informative book and well worth the issue price of \$25. Also available for \$70 is a deluxe edition. If you purchase the deluxe edition, the standard edition is also included. Additional information and orders can be initially directed to the Gram]

Howard Daniel was next up with a number of items of interest from his personal collection which he presented as gifts to those interested. The included numismatic and philatelic news items, post cards, books and other odds and ends.

The City of Everett, MA issued a private war bond during World War II to raise funds for public service agencies such as fire and police departments. Robert Drew showed us an example of a \$1000 bond issued as part of the Defense Loan Act of 1941.

It was common practice during the war for families with members serving overseas to display a window banner depicting one or more blue stars on a white field surrounded by a red border. A star represented one family member. Dave Hunsicker showed a number of these banners, one with a single star, one with three blue stars, one for the US Coast Guard, one for the Merchant Marine and one depicting the national flags of the allies.

We also discussed how this practice fell out of favor after the Korean War but was revived for the current conflicts.

Kathy Freeland had been given a large box full of letters by Joe Boling which were written by a soldier named Delbert Reason of Shirley, Indiana. (Joe had found the letters when discarding some unwanted correspondence Ill skip the details). The letters, which included some short snorters, were written as Vmail and had been saved by Delberts family. The letters chronicled his travels trough the European Theatre with the 253rd Armed Field Artillery Battalion and offer an historical account of his experiences.

In keeping with the traditions of Fests past, Dick Dunn presented the fifth in a series of souvenir cards depicting Canadian War Savings Certificates. This years color card is of a one hundred dollar Dominion of Canada Was Savings Certificate issued in April of 1941 in

Saskatchewan. The card is in English and French and was limited to 75 pieces.

As reported earlier, Warner Talso could not make Fest this year, but so as not to disappoint the gathering, he sent us his presentation on the US Postal Savings System which was presented by Ray Feller. Described in words and images was the system as it originated in 1911. Individual stamps were purchased and pasted in booklets and when filled were turned in for a Postal Savings Card. The practice continued throughout World War One and through the depression and was eventually in effect when the War Savings Stamps program began. Both programs ran together and the stamps became interchangeable. The war savings stamps were collected and when a booklet was filled they were turned in to buy war bonds. Warners presentation featured images of the booklets and the stamps. The postal savings system ended in 1967.

Bob Olsen was up next and his presentation followed up on Warners. Bob showed a number of examples of savings stamps booklets, some filled with stamps and others that were empty. He also made us aware of the existence of private stamp and booklet issues.

If you were in the service, you, no doubt have eaten, or at least seen meal rations. In my day, it was C or K rations, or rats as we used to call them, and they were in cans and were opened by a device known as a P38. The modern system now uses MREs which are vacuum sealed and come with all the necessary materials to make a hot meal. Bill opened a packet and displayed the contents and explained how they were used. He took this approach because, as he explained, the heating process was designed to be done out of doors rather than inside to avoid clearing the room.

Bolzano, Italy was the sight of a Concentration Camp during the war. It was used to house Italian Jews. The title Ray Fellers (well know for her prowess at poker) presentation was All In and told of how poker played a role in the printing of underground money in the camp. The camp, which was an old army barracks, held three types of resistance groups, Partisans, priests and Civil resistance fighters. Money was needed to buy supplies from the local population and since it was in short supply, the camp printed its own. All was well until the SS discovered the money and to explain it away the prisoners said the money was used only as a means to play poker and not for any illegal purposes. The SS didnt really buy the story, but the money was over stamped

by the SS in and used locally. A special stamp was issued to commemorate the camps liberation. The five denominations of the notes printed are in Feller and Feller.

Fred was up again this time with the story about some Camp Perry chits. As you may or may not know, Camp Perry is located right here in Port Clinton on Lake Erie and it was used as a POW camp during the war. Fred has been searching for chits forever. Alerted to a one cent chit on eBay by Steve Swoish, Fred, along with Larry discovered the chit was being offered by Fester Robbie Robinson. Not wanting to risk not getting the chit, and despite the lateness of the hour, Fred called Robbie and negotiated a purchase. Concerned he still might miss out, another call was placed the following morning wherein Robbie asked if Fred had indeed called him late the night before. After all the explaining was done, the deal was made and Robbie, who could not make Fest this year, agreed to send the chit. Using express mail, it was sent to the infamous 2nd avenue address. That was all well and good, but there was no one there to sign for it. Fred, a little frantic, and wanted to show off his new find at Fest, hurriedly made arrangements to the post office and the chit was delivered to the hotel just in time for Fred to relate his tale. The packet once opened was found to contain two one cent and one five cent chits.

Fred now has a one and a five, while Ski is now the proud owner a one cent piece. It turns out Robbie has two more chits, a ten and a twenty-five cent piece which he wants to keep. One wonders how long it will be until Fred makes another late night call.

Jim Aitken was up next and he spoke on gasoline and rubber rationing as part of the OPA program during the war. Rubber was an essential war material and was rationed. Used tires were collected and recapped for civilian use and other procedures were put in place to conserve rubber. They included the national gas rationing program, changing the national speed limit to 35 miles per hour and increasing production of synthetic rubber.

We broke for lunch and found special napkins on each table with the image of the new Canadian one-hundred dollar bill courtesy of John Regitko. There are and have been a number of different Fest notes, but notes on napkins is a first.

To be continued

Fest XIII Training Schedule Addendum

Attached is the final (I think DRAFT) of the welcome packet including company and duty assignments. Included in the packet and listed below are the items requiring coordination (payment). I am particularly interested in nailing down the Thursday night bourse banquet. We have always done poorly at that. I have filled that (and the other lists) in with what I know based on what you told me, hotel reservations, and past years. Especially for the bourse banquet, tell me if I have it wrong.

We have some new things planned for the bourse banquet so we hope to see you there.

Festing has started. Harold and Ski are here. We are all excited and working too. See you soon.

Fred n The Boss

Fitzgerald Golf outing
Al Glaser
Bill Haines
Don Wilkinson
Steve Swoish

Bourse Banquet (Thursday evening 1900-2100)
Alpha Company
Al Glaser
Robert Drew
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Joe Boling
Louise Boling
Roger Urce
Brett Irick
Harold Kroll
George Slade
Betty Slade
James Capps
Nancy Capps

Hq Company
Fred Schwan
Judy Schwan
Val May

Cod reservations (Sun afternoon)

- 1 Kathy Freeland
- 2 Dan Freeland
- 3 Loretta Freyser
- 4 Dick Freyser
- 5 Bill Myers
- 6 Larry Smulczenski
- 7 Dave Frank
- 8 Mike Buckley
- 9 Louise Boling
- 10 Joe Boling
- 11 John Regitko
- 12 Dick Dunn
- 13 Brian Giese
- 14 Harold Kroll (bubble)

16 John Cheney
17 Bob Liske (local, bubble)
18 Roger Urce

Fishing (Mon morning)
Bob Olson
Dave Frank
Jack Lippincot
Brian Giese
John Cheney
Robert Drew

Fish Fry (Sunday evening)

TBD, all personnel staying in the hotel are assumed to be attending.

Following is a preview of the 2012 Fest Auction. Gramsters are invited to bid on the various lots, even if you are not attending the Fest. Simply send an email with the lot number and your bid to the Gram by 2400 hours, Saturday evening, May 5th. If you win lots, they will be mailed to you from Fest Headquarters. You will be invoiced for your winning items along with a ten per cent (10%) buyers fee plus postage. The amount listed at the end of each lot is a minimum bid. Good luck to all that choose to bid.

Lot Cnty/Subj Description Min Bid Don

1 China Bond Patriotic Aviation Bond with Boeing P-26 vignette. \$10 value (in Chinese) SB 8132. CU \$10.00 Y

2 MRE If you like barbeque then this #2 MRE is for you. Featuring a barbequed pork rib with sides and desert. A heater is included. This is a Texas special . \$3.00 Y

3 MRE Another delicacy but this time for Italian food lover. MRE #13 is the Cheese Tortellini with sides and a desert. A heater is also included. All you need to provide is the checkered table cloth and wine. \$3.00 Y

4 Souvenir Card A beautiful limited edition engraved card featuring an eagle with outstretched wings from FUN 2012. Only 100 were printed. This is number 80. \$5.00 Y

5 Coins Twenty different coins from WWII. The start of a new collecting interest for those that cannot find anything new to add to their collections. Circulated. \$4.00 Y

6 Mini-Fest Notes An ANA Mini-Fest note from Chicago 2011 (#5), the number 38 note from the dinner with Helen Rappaport (autographed, a Hollocast survivor), the #21, 2012 FUN Mini- Fest note plus Fest XII Field Trip note # 9. \$4.00 Y

7 Mini-Fest Notes A similar set of four notes as above except all with serial number 4. \$4.00 Y

8 Mini-Fest Notes A similar set of four notes as above except all with serial number 6. \$4.00 Y

9 Stamps A large lot of 292 World War II stamps, (273 different) Catalog over \$100. Used and unused \$25.00

10 First Day Covers Two covers from the Philippines. (1) Limbagan-1943, 12c on 20c, Jap. Occ. (2) 1945 w/7 diff Victory stamps \$4.00

11 WWII Coins Lot of 18 different. Some silver. Includes Australia, Belgium, Netherlands, Philippines. \$15.00

12 Ration Items Three items. (1) Unused ration check w/ stub-Shoes, Malta NB, OH., (2) Unused deposit slip-Shoes, Malta NB, OH., and (3) Used ration check, Meat etc, Haverhill NB, MA. \$3.00

13 USA Proof Coin 1973S Eisenhower 40% Silver Proof One Dollar. \$17.00

14 USA Proof Set 1990S Prestige Proof set with 90% silver Eisenhower Centennial Dollar \$25.00

15 Military Tokens Nice lot of 13 different military tokens. VF-Unc. \$10.00

16 Allied Banknotes Three items. (1) Great Britain 10 shilling SB 103 VG, (2) Malta 10 shilling SB 4206a VG, and (3) New Caledonia 5 Francs SB 1624 F+ \$5.00

17 China Puppet Bank Lot of six notes. (1) P-J69; SB 1112 F+, (2) P-J72; SB1096 XF, (3) P-J83a; SB 1118a1 VG, (4) P-J80; SB 1114 F+, (5) P-J88; SB 1121a F, and (6) P-J90; SB 1126a XF. \$10.00

18 MPC Series 661 \$5 CU \$20.00

19 MPC Replacement Series 692 25c REPLACEMENT. Serial Number E00122131. VG \$25.00

20 Germany WHW Kriegswinterhilfswerk 5 RMk with Red overprint. SB363b2 Unc. \$15.00

21 Germany WHW Kriegswinterhilfswerk 5 RMk with Roman numeral II before serial number. SB 373 Unc. \$15.00

22 Documents State of Illinois Veterans Bonus Notification Warrant Card and a War Bonds and Stamps Purchaser's Order. \$4.00

23 Korea Coupon Ten cent MPC Coupon, Series 3. 1/4 slit at center fold. VG \$125.00

24 Allied Fest Certificate Summer Seminar 2011 AFC notes stamped BANQUET. 5, 25 and 75 Zloty stamped 50 ONLY. \$15.00 Y

- 25 Allied Fest Certificate Another lot like the one above. \$15.00 Y
- 26 Allied Fest Certificate Summer Seminar 2011 AFC notes stamped BANQUET. 5 and 25 zloty plus \$1 series 091 stamped BANQUET \$15.00 Y
- 27 ANA Banquet notes 2011 ANA Banquet Series 120, Convention Certificates. \$1, \$2 (SN 1*) and \$4. \$30.00 Y
- 28 ANA Banquet notes 2011 ANA Banquet Series 120, Convention Certificates. \$1 and \$2 (water stain) \$15.00 Y
- 29 Allied Fest Certificate Summer Seminar 2011 AFC notes. 5, 25 and 75 Zloty. \$15.00 Y
- 30 Mini-Fest Certificate Colorado Springs July 2011, \$25 MFC. \$5.00 Y
- 31 Denmark Small Change Five WWII Danish Encased Postage Stamps. SB-171 type. Nice examples \$20.00
- 32 Hawaii Gas Coupon WWII Ration Coupon for 5 Gallons of Gasoline issued by Office of Military Governor. Small thin. \$40.00
- 33 Australian Receipt. Issued for War Savings Certificates. Rust stains from staples in upper left and upper right corners \$20.00
- 34 U.S. Savings Bond One hundred dollar Bicentennial Bond with Valley Forge vignette. Issued Dec 75. New. \$40.00
- 35 Collectable Book Pocket Edition of the Heath's Infallible Counterfeit Detector. Fifteenth Ed. 1887. Some pages are foxed. \$100.00
- 36 Ration Coupon Great Britain Petrol, 10 units, Y/A, Valid 18 Aug 1957 \$8.00
- 37 Ration Coupon Jersey Petrol, 1 unit, valid 30 Nov 1950 \$8.00
- 38 Checks Three different style checks, same customer written on Red Bud Bank, Red Bud, IL. 1917-26. Two sets avail. \$3.00 Y
- 39 Savings Bonds Two \$25 Bonds, Fowler (1966) and Kennedy (1971) signatures. \$45.00
- 40 Commemorative Wood Three centennial flats, (1) Fremont OH, 1949 (2) Adrian MI, 1963 with inverted reverse and (3) Rantoul IL, 1954 \$3.00 Y
- 41 Konversionkasse Bonds Three Teilgutschein (fractional bond certificate) from Holland. Each with a different interest rate. Jan. 1936 \$100.00
- 42 Medal Fiftieth Anniversary Montgomery Bus Boycott Medal (Rosa Parks) \$10.00
- 43 Latvia Ten Punkte note. KR20a. 30 April 1945. Nice clean note. \$75.00

44 Russia Fifteen pieces with overprints. Mavrodi Pyramid Scheme. \$25.00

45 Food Stamp Credits Strip of six tickets which were used with orange Food Stamps. Three 1 cent, two 5 cent and one 10 cent. \$15.00

46 Poker Chips Set of four pieces from Fest X. Includes \$1, \$5, \$10 and Fest X token. \$25.00

47 Malaya JIM One Dollar. Tougher Block MI. UNC \$6.00

48 Malaya JIM One Dollar. Block MS. UNC \$5.00

49 MPC Series 641, 5, 10, 25 cent \$1, and \$10. All serial numbers end 641 \$12.00

50 MPC Five Full House Poker Hand serial numbered notes \$10.00

51 MPC Series 641. Complete circulated set. 5 cent to 10 dollars. \$15.00

52 MPC Thirty mixed notes. 5cent to 5 dollars. Average circulated. \$45.00

53 Gas Coupon Coupon for 10 liters of Benzine. For use by German Forces in German Federal Republic. \$20.00

54 Note assortment Twenty pieces of mixed Marks, Lire, Yen, Sen and Pesos. \$25.00

55 Note assortment British Military Authority, 1 and 5 Shilling; Italian AMC 10 and 50 Lire. Circulated \$25.00

56 Greenland Tokens Four Piece set, Narssarssuaq Kantinen Aluminum Meal Tokens. UNC \$75.00

57 Treasury Award Cert. Disney Characters, U.S. Treasury War Bond Committee Award given to new parents w/ Bond Purchase, SB363 \$50.00 Y

58 POW Chit Ft. Niagara, NY Camp Canteen. 1 cent chit. SN 2821F. Campbell 8145a \$35.00 Y

59 Germany POW Issues Lot of three pieces. General POW issue with large red triangle. 1, 2 and 5 RMk SB 194, 195 and 196 \$35.00 Y

60 Money Order U.S. Postal Military money order from APO 97029 with receipt. 1980. \$25.00

61 Military Check AMEX Military Banking Facility Cancelled check from USAF Upper Heyford dated 3 May, 1957. \$5.00

62 Saving Bond Pamphlets Group of four war bond pamphlets, 2 from 2nd, 1 each from 3rd and 5th War Loan. All fresh. \$14.00

63 Japanese AMC Two B-series 20 yen notes. One a regular issue, the other a replacement \$155.00

64 Military Check AMEX MPC check unused with stub from Nuremburg branch, Germany. 1947. CU \$125.00

65 Statement and Checks Monthly statement with 19 checks from APO 09154, Stuttgart, Germany, Dec 67-Jan 68 \$45.00

66 MBF Check WWII Schofield Barracks unused check with stub from Bishop National Bank, Honolulu, Hawaii \$10.00

67 Savings Bond Series E, \$25 Bicentennial Bond, April 1977. \$20.00

68 Window sticker WWII Fourth War Loan window sticker. Unused \$5.00

69 Window sticker WWII Red Cross War Fund Drive window sticker.(2) 1944 and 45. Unused \$5.00

70 War Bond Pamphlets Two War Savings Bond pamphlets, one each from 4th and 6th war loan drives. New \$9.00

71 MPC Short set from Series 471. 5c, 10c, 25c, 50c and \$1. nice circ. \$40.00

72 AFC notes Set of six notes from 2011 ANA Summer Seminar includes two star notes. \$20.00

73 Military Pass Holder WWII leather military pass and ID holder and two copies of military orders from APO 407 Munich District. \$16.00

74 Military Form DD Form 2A (RES) 1 Mar 1959. Red in color. Unused \$40.00

75 Escourt Badge US Army from Sacramento Depot. Control item 038. Laminated in plastic. \$5.00

76 Ration Book WWII U.S. Ration Book #3. Used but with a lot of coupons. \$10.00 Y

77 Ration Book Similar to the one above but Ration Book #4. \$10.00 Y

78 U.S. North Africa note. Yellow seal Silver Certificate REPLACEMENT. Graded as AU 55. Really tough note. \$2,000.00

79 Defense Bond U.S. \$100 Large Size Series E Defense Bond. Issued February 1942. \$350.00

80 Canadian Envelopes Four WWII envelopes mailed from Camp Borden, Ont. (one with a V - cancel) \$5.00

81 Post Cards Eight real photo post cards from Fort Lewis, Washington \$10.00

82 Post Cards Four WWII Humor post cards \$10.00

83 Post Cards Three 1921 post cards of Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass. \$5.00

84 Post Cards Three real photo cards , two of which show the German front near Reims \$5.00

85 Post Cards Three real photo cards, naval scenes at Great Lakes, and old planes over Pensacola, Fla. \$5.00

86 Window Banner WWII Window banner with three stars for members "Serving Overseas" \$15.00 Y

87 Viet Nam envelopes Nine postally used envelopes "Viet Nam Cong Hoa" stamps. \$5.00

88 Agent Badge Official U.S. Defense Agent Badge for Defense Stamp sales \$5.00

89 Window Banner WWII banner, "Serving in the U.S. Merchant Marine" (Eagle Ships for Victory) \$20.00

90 Window Banner WWII banner, "Serving in the U.S. Coast Guard" (Coast Guard emblem) \$20.00

91 Book WWII in Pictures. Hard Cover Book, 256 pages. \$10.00

92 Chit Five cent chit from "The Breakers" Navy Recreation Center, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii. \$5.00

93 Trip Specimen Specimen ticket for the 2012 post Fest trip to the USS Cod in Cleveland. \$10.00 Y

94 Trip Replacement A Replacement ticket for the 2012 post Fest trip to the USS Cod in Cleveland \$10.00 Y

95 Belgium local issue Town of Pipaix. Set includes 10, 25, 50 centimes, 1 and 5 francs. S/B 1061-65. All CU \$50.00

96 Germany AMC Russian printing of 1/2 Mk. S/B 191. Some dirt. Fine. \$25.00

97 Ireland tokens Set of four tokens from the Curragh Internment Camp. VF/XF. SB 211-214 pg 460 \$400.00

98 Movie ticket chit Chit from the Minidoka Internment Camp in Hunt, Idaho. Plate note from Feller and Feller \$180.00

99 Belgium overstamp Post WWII redemption stamp from Liege on German 20 Mk Pick181. Fine. \$100.00

100 Beer Ration Card Enlisted Men's Service Club (no location). American Beer on Front, Japanese Beer on Back. Small piece missing on right side. Interesting. VF \$25.00

101 Payment Voucher United Nations Refugee Office (UNRO) Receipt "for ship passages of UNRO Eligibles from Shanghai to Hong Kong". ETD 26 June 1954. \$50.00

102 Bernhard Note Ten Pound Operation Bernhard note. Graded as XF-40. Missing LR corner and small thin in right margin \$110.00

103 Australian Postal Note Ten Shillings note from Queensland dated 2 April 1945 paid to payee from the Philippines. \$110.00

104 MFC Two framed uncut sheets of MFC series 2002 in custom 18.5" x 26" frames with both sides viewable. \$100.00

105 YMCA Chit Book WWI original full booklet of ten 3 pence chits. Dated 13 Sep 1918. Very Rare. \$500.00

106 Fiji Note Emergency Overprint on New Zealand note. One pound note. SB 1376a Graded Choice Fine -15 \$250.00

107 India POW receipt Property receipt for a POW at an Indian Camp. Dated 20 Mar. 1944 \$10.00

108 Rare MFC Issued at opening of the ANA Museum's exhibit of WWII currency. Series 022 overprinted "Rendezvous with Destiny, the Money of WWII, December 7, 2002" The one and two dollar notes with serial number 12. \$100.00

109 MPC replacement Series 521, one dollar replacement SN E00434835. Fine \$350.00

110 MPC Series 521 five dollar note. Graded as XF 45. with light foxing. \$300.00

111 German Lottery Sheet of 40 one-eighth chance tickets from the 13th Reichslotterie. Reserve

112 German Lottery Sheet of 20 one-quarter chance tickets from the 13th Reichslotterie. Reserve

113 Special Edition One of the newly released "World War II Paper Money and Financial Documents of Nazi Germany Special Editions. Donated by the Editor to benefit the scholarship fund--bid generously \$2.00

114 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped by balloon on Germany by Allies. Written in German telling the population that the war is coming to an end. Has several small holes. VF \$10.00

115 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped on Vietnam by French in 1950's, two languages saying that Indochinese Union would win the war. VF \$7.00

116 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped by Germans on English, encouraging them to become POW's and survive instead of being killed. VF \$10.00

117 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped by Germans on American Forces with usual lines of propaganda and demoralizing thoughts. VF \$10.00

118 Safe Conduct Pass Targeted at African-Americans by Germans to give up and return home to their children. Fine+ \$10.00

119 Propaganda Leaflet Smaller German item targeting Canadian troops saying that the British do not appreciate them. Leaflet has corner damage that does not effect the printed portion. \$8.00

120 Propaganda Leaflet Dropped by Germans on Allies discussing the end of the war. Topics include Russians, WWII and those who die in the last few minutes. This leaflet sold for \$25 several years ago. XF \$25.00

121 Safe Conduct Pass Korean War, printed in Blue and Red with MacArthur signature. XF \$10.00

122 Encased Cent Aluminum cent with advertising on one side and proclaiming Victory, V-E and V-J Day. \$2.00 Y

123 Aluminum Pin Made in the shape of Italy with a star. \$1.00 Y

124 Japanese Savings Book Soldier's Postal Savings Deposit Book. Large Size. VF \$5.00 Y

125 Japanese Savings Book Similar to previous item but thinner. Soldier and Battleship on cover VF \$5.00 Y

126 Japanese Prayer Book Small size, most likely from WWII. Nice shape \$3.00 Y

127 Fed. Ger. Rep. Ten DM Special Army Currency. 1948 printed by ABNC. SB 655a Fine \$14.00

128 Fed. Ger. Rep. Bank Deutscher Lander Ten DM. 1949 printed by ABNC. SB 685a F-VF \$12.00

129 Oceania JIM Three REPLICA notes. 1/2 and 1 shilling plus 1 pound. First two are unc, pound had light center fold. Choice \$70.00

130 Propaganda Leaflet Arabic anti-English text on the back of a reprint Bank of England one pound note. Fine w/repared edge tears. \$25.00

131 Australia coins Two 1d coins. 1943 and 1944, both brown. AU \$2.00

132 Philippines Series 66, One peso Victory STAR note. SB 2321r Fine \$10.00 Y

133 Philippines JIM A 1000 peso note with barely perceptible soaking. Paper toned tan. SB 2233a \$4.00 Y

134 China Farmers Bank 100 yuan, with postal censor stamp "Passed by Army Examiner". P477a \$5.00 Y

135 Ionian Islands One drachma, used during Italian occupation of islands. SB 531. Good \$1.00 Y

136 UK stamp Commemorative 50p. Fiftieth Anniversary of D-Day in illustrated folder. Unc. \$3.00 Y

137 Post Card War Dept. penalty mail, 25 Oct 1924. Acknowledgement of application for Adjusted Compensation. \$1.00 Y

138 Ration Envelope Envelope for gasoline ration book. W.H. Bowden & Sons, Weatherford, Tex. With 18 A and B gas ration stamps \$5.00 Y

139 Launch Cover Commemorative of the launching of cruiser USS New Orleans, 12 Apr. 1933, Brooklyn Navy Yard cancellation. \$5.00 Y

140 Propaganda >From The Young China Club (Chinatown Merchants, no city specified) advocating boycott of Japanese goods. \$20.00 Y

141 France AMC Two Franc Replacement. SB 142r. VG \$40.00 Y

142 U.S. Coin Lincoln Cent with "V" embossed into it. Small hole at bottom for some kind of suspension (missing). \$2.00 Y

143 "E" Award Medal Curtis Wright Corp., Airplane Div., Buffalo NY, 20 Aug, 1942. 76mm heavy bronze medal celebrating receipt of the Army/ Navy "E" Award. "E" flag and two aircraft on obverse. Uncirculated. \$45.00 Y

144 Food coupons Series 1989A USDA \$2.00 booklet complete. Serial number A19407749A \$12.00

145 Food coupon Series 1992B USDA \$1.00 coupon. Serial number E58012696B \$3.00

146 AMC France France Back Fifty Franc Replacement note. S/B 121r. Fine \$45.00

147 Propaganda note Japanese 10 yen note with U.S. message #2009 on back. Translation included. SB 169 \$40.00

148 Propaganda note Japanese 10 yen note with U.S. message #2034 on back. SB 172. Issued note attached. CU \$50.00

149 MPC Series 651 \$1.00 Replacement???? Apparent thinning in the vicinity of suffix letter. Possible erasure. \$8.00

150 WWII Book "My Savings Book For Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps" (1941). Childs learning tool with actual coins and cartoon caricatures. Contains 30 pennies, 9 nickles, 5 dimes and 3 quarters--all dated prior to 1942. Cover of book loose. \$100.00

151 Souvenir Card Issued in conjunction with the Helen Rappaport dinner. See the background on this item at the end of the sale. \$25.00 Y

152 Magazine. Article printed in ANA Monthly Magazine by Judy Schwan.
"Gold Love Tokens" \$2.00 Y

153 Wedding Sheets Better qualify that!!! These are sheets of the Wedding
Certificates. Uncut sheets of four notes. Only two exist. The Toleks have
one. Your chance to own the only other. \$50.00 Y

154 Konversionkasse Bond Four per cent, Issued for Holland, 1000 Gulden,
Series 1 dated 1 Nov. 1935 \$10.00

155 War Bond A \$25 small size bond sold on Jan 45 and paid on Aug 18,
1945. It has a vivid Army War Bond Office stamp along with two paid
stamps. The bond has a hole cancel at the top center. Bond most likely
comes from the Oklahoma hoard. \$15.00 Y

156 War Bond Similar to the lost item except this one was issued on May
44 and paid on Dec 14, 1944. It has a double hole cancel at the top
center. Also most likely from the Oklahoma hoard. \$15.00 Y

157 Israel change tokens Three 5 prutot small-change cardboard tokens of
the early 1950s. Issued by a bus company in city of Haifa \$8.00 Y

158 Israel coupon booklet Issued in 1984-5 to the Defense Forces.
Contains 315 coupons with total face value of 6000 sheqalim. Unusual
\$20.00 Y

159 Philippine Guerrilla Mindanao Emergency Currency Board, 1943-4. 2
peso (1) and 5 pesos (3). All different VF-XF \$10.00 Y

160 Philippine Guerrilla Mindanao, 10 pesos (5) 1943-4. All different.
VF-AU \$12.00 Y

161 Philippine Guerrilla Mindanao, 20 pesos (7) 1943-4. All different.
Fine to CU. Most VF-XF. \$15.00 Y

162 Manuscript proof New (2012) Chambliss Catalog of MPCs. 152 oages,
original first copy , featuring noes and corrections by author. \$25.00 Y

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly
solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Spain was neutral during World War II, however, there is an issue of
notes associated with Spain. What are the notes and where were they used?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

In 1941. a small change note was introduced for the Colonia de Mocambique. What was the denomination?

ANSWER:

50 centavos.

George Slade

ANSWER:

50 Centavos

Frank Clark

ANSWER:

50 centavos

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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It's good to be here at the Fest and to get reacquainted with old friends. There were cancellations: Warner and Jane Talso couldn't make it and the hope is all is well and getting better. Dr. and Mrs. Tolek also had to cancel as did Allen Berk. They are all missed.

As you see there were new addtions to the Training Schedule and they were well received and we all had some fun with them. More activities are planned for Friday with meetings for Bond collectors, JIM collectors and those of us who collect Viet Nam tokens.

Remember, if you want to bid in the auction, we will take bids up to midnight on Saturday.

No one answered the previous question so I will leave it up until someone does.

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Fest XIII Training Schedule special theme prisoner of war money

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ALL PERSONNEL

Date/time Activity Personnel Trainer

Tuesday 1 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1700 work detail arrives present personnel The Boss

1700-2400 remedial bowling practice festers bowling coach

Wednesday 2 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1700 Fest preparations work detail Fred

1700-1900 fish fry Jolly Roger The Boss

1900-2400 remedial bowling practice festers bowling coach

Thursday 3 May

0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1830 bourse preparations select personnel David

1400-1800 George Fitzgerald memorial golf outing, interested personnel
1SG Glaser

1830-2100 bourse banquet @ Big Boppers all available Judy, Ken

2100-2400 bowling challenge all available Doug Bell

2400- bull session/swap meet all available Ski

Friday 4 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG

0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0830-1000 bourse set up work detail and dealers David

1000 bourse and Fest registration open all personnel Loretta

1000-1600 bourse all available David

auction submission/viewing all interested Ski

1400-1500 bond collectors meeting all interested Catawba Board Room
Warner

1500-1600 JIM meeting all interested in bourse Shafer

1700-1730 new Fester training new Festers Doug, Warner

1730-1800 company meetings and pics all personnel 1SGs

1800-1930 dining out, Fest anniversary party all personnel Kim

1930-2045 opening festivities all personnel Fred

2045-2245 training, March Madness prelims all personnel TBA

2245-2330 pay call by company paymasters

2330-2400 bull session by company 1SGs

2400 px, canteen, casino closed Dick

2400 lights out by company 1SGs

Saturday 5 May

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim all personnel 1SG
0700-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0730-0800 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers
0800-0815 company and BN picture mess hall TBA
0815-0830 book releases and autograph party all personnel (bring short
snorters) Fred
0830-1200 show n tell all personnel Steve F.
1200-1240 chow all personnel Kim
1245-1255 sing along all personnel Kathy
1300-1430 keynote talk, March Madness all personnel Steve
1435-1755 show n tell all personnel Steve
1755-1800 nap individual
1800-1900 dining in, Fester birthday party all personnel Kim
1900-2100 March Madness finals all personnel Downey
2100-2200 awards, Fest XIII lottery all personnel Steve S.
2200 finance open for exchange operations bn clerk
2200-2230 poker training all players Brad
2230-2400 military poker game reenactment all players Brad
movie in mess hall interested personnel Joe B.
2200-2300 auction lot viewing (concurrent) all personnel Ski
2400 snack time (left overs) interested personnel mess sgt
2400 canteen & casino close all personnel Loretta/Dick

Sunday 6 May

0100 lights out, bed check all personnel 1SGs
0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SG
0600-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0700-0745 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers

0700-0730 destruction of obsolete MFC select personnel Fred
0730-0800 auction lot viewing optional Ski
0800-1200 auction all personnel Ski
1200-1230 police call and early departures select personnel Harold
1200-1245 chow all personnel mess sgts
1245-1330 break camp available personnel Harold
1330-1830 field training, USS Cod interested personnel Bill Myers
1900-2000 fish fry mess hall Ken
2000-ca2200 special JIM show n tell Catwaba Board Room Dennis
2200-2400 movie mess hall Cuneyd
2401 bed check all personnel Judy

Monday 7 May

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim
0700-1600 walleye fishing interested personnel Brad
1830 local poker game (FRNs required) select personnel Fred

Tuesday 8 May

0700-0730 breakfast Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim

MPCFEST XIII - Price List

Fest registration double occupancy* 170
Fest registration single occupancy* 220
Hotel gratuity (one payment per FESTER) 8
Bourse table 125
Bourse banquet 15
Sunday fish fry 15
Spouse meal card 20

Bowling (2 games and shoes) 6

Sunday field trip 6

Fitzgerald golf event TBD

Monday fishing trip TBD

Additional nights (single occupancy) 50

Additional nights (double occupancy) 25

*includes lodging Friday and Saturday

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weeks.

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for
listing here.

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WANTED

Any denomination of the Japtan island banknotes. I believe they were cent notes in different denominations (5,10,25 etc). These were printed I believe in the 50s in the Marshall Islands during the atomic bomb tests on Japtan island. They were printed by the US Navy. The next is a Midway Island 10 goonies short snorter note. This also has the test "The land of sand and Scaevola". The only denomination known is 10 goonies. Goonies are a local bird which lives on the Midway island. It was printed in the 1940s during World War 2 by the US Navy. Leeward islands 2 shilling and six pence; these were printed in the Caribbean. There are more denominations I believe; I am looking for any denomination. There are some rumours that these notes do not exist though, if anyone knows for sure it would be a great help! A 1903 Turks and Caicos Islands one pound note. I dont know about any other denominations, but if they exist please let me know. A Johnston Island 5 cent chit. I don't know much about this note but anything provided will help me alot. I believe it is a World War 2 'chit' note printed again by navy or military crews. Finally a Ulithi lagoon 10 cent chit. I heard this was printed in World War 2 also, and was printed by the US Navy for use on the Ulithi lagoon. I have seen this note sell for \$11.50, but, unfortunately I missed the chance to get it. (http://www.coincommunity.com/go/_to.asp?target=http://www.ebay.com/itm/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&_trksid=p4340.12557&hash=item5ae4b64d8e&item=390384209294&nma=true&pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&rt=nc&si=yyZJ0kAAgGnyOJsF9nvKS1VvaMY%253D&orig_cvip=true&rt=nc#ht_711wt_1396). There is another seller on ebay who wants around 300 dollars for one, after seeing the first one sell for around 12 dollars, I personally think the second is asking for a bit much.

Ash Buck

ashbuck@ymail.com

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Fest XIII Report

Conclusion

After Lunch Kathy Freeland led us in a sing along with "Over There" and "I've Been Working on the Railroad" which was followed by the second round of May Madness. During the round, Al Glaser was paired with Neil Shafer and the question was: "What number appears on the Camp Hay notes". If you have a set of these, or looked at them in the Book you know the answer is 7. Now, if you collect special serial numbers, you may know that Al collects, yes, you guessed it, number 7. It was somewhat ironic that Al missed the question and he was reminded of it for the rest of the Fest. [In fairness to Al, no one was able to answer the question]

The next presentation was on the Culion Colony Guerrilla notes and it was expanded slightly from the presentation I gave at the FUN Show in January.

Bill Myers likes to look through junk boxes for World War II coins and other pieces. He shared some of his recent finds including two pieces of counterfeit JIM, five centavo and five peso notes, but his newest prize was a 3rd printing Series 50 cent MPC replacement, which according to the survey had been unknown up to now and is possibly unique.

Neil Shafer showed three interesting pieces, the first being a war time check for \$2,800,000 payable to the Chinese Industrial Gas Company plus a train ticket from occupied Latvia. The third piece was an Army Occupation Ration Card dated issued by OMGUS and dated 22 Oct 1945 which predates the Barter Stores in Germany.

MPC plus was the title of Larry Smulczynski's talk and dealt with issues seen or discussed in SB but not readily found. Among his items a Series 521 nickel from Wheelins AFB which showed the use of that series in 1954; a check for 76 cents from the same airbase which was marked LIBYA ONLY; some counterfeits, specimens and errors. Of course there were issues with serial number 39.

The emergency money of the Israeli War for independence was Carlson Chambliss' topic and he showed various issued of the Palestine Currency Board along with some images of checks from that period.

Jim Downey's presentation was on Philippine gas coupons during the Japanese occupation. A booklet containing five and ten liter gasoline coupons, totaling 200 liters, along with ration item issues of Bataan along with a permit for transporting seeds were shown.

The third of three known \$100 Canadian War Savings Certificates dated April 15, 1941 was the subject of a souvenir card issued by Dick Dunn. Dick had recently found and was able to purchase the certificate and had it available for viewing. He explained that of the other two known examples, one is in the Bank of Canada and the other in an undisclosed black hole. Dick along with Brett Irick had also produced a souvenir card for the First Canadian Military Fest which had been held on 16 July, 2011 in Windsor, Ontario.

Joe Boling presented new information about the Reichsmark notes of 1929-1945 with respect to the watermarks and reported that contrary to SCWPM there are three varieties not two on the notes. He went on to say that plates and paper for the notes were discovered and counterfeits were made thus leading him to the discovery of the third variety. He also showed the Canadian propaganda piece which used the 10 RM note of the series and an anti-Hitler 1000 year Reich note.

Bill Myers was up again and discussed his vacation last summer which was a tour of the World War sites of Europe. The tour followed the movie Band of Brothers and stopped at locals seen in the film as well as other locations such as Dachau, Auschwitz, Munich and the Military Museum in Budapest. He had a number of photos and was able to speak to residents present during the war. He brought back a 2 Franc AMC note that he had signed by these witnesses and presented it to Fred.

The Dutch East Indies (now Indonesia) had a number of camps during the war not only for prisoners but also for internees. Dave Frank gave a detailed presentation and was able to show a number of issues from camps located at Fort de Kock in Sumatra and Alasvallei in Central Sumatra. When the Japanese took over camps were established in Barak and Jimahi

where in addition to notes bamboo tokens were also used. Dave was able to show some rare pieces.

Our last presenter was Joh Regitko who talked of Japanese internment camps in Canada. Camps were located in Kasko, Tashme and Slocan with the camp in Medicine Hat, being the largest in North America holding 12,500 people. Camp X, near Ontario, was used between 1941 and 1946 as an SOE training facility (the original training camp for the British Secret Service) and was the subject of a souvenir card showing the only remaining building left on the grounds.

Just before we broke for chow, an emergency was declared and all were confined to the camp as MFC Series 111 and 111F were recalled. We had been given travel and normal pay earlier in the day and all funds were now to be turned in with no exceptions.

Saturday dinner was pizza, a Fest favorite, and afterwards pay call was announced. MFC Series consisted of notes in denominations of 1, 2, 5, 10, 13, 26, 39, 52, and \$104. Also observed was a \$104 note revalued to \$4 only. The theme was the 200th anniversary of Perry's Victory on Lake Erie just off Port Clinton during the war of 1812 and featured vignettes of the Commodore and Stephen Decatur. One variety of the \$5 notes is designed to be a short snorter with Fester's names printed on the back.

We returned to Camp Leo May where Kathy Freeland led us in singing the National Anthems of both the United States and Canada.

The finals of March madness saw some spirited competition with some tough questions by Jim Downey. Had it not been for multiple choice some of the questions would not have been answered. The final four came down to Myers vs. Shafer and Slade v.s Boling. Myers and Slade prevailed and in the final round four of seven correct answers were needed and there was no multiple choice. In the end Myers won out no doubt in part due to his consistent practice in answering questions here in the Gram.

Summer Seminar scholarships were announced by the Freelands and Kenneth Berger, Dave Hunsicker, Mile Bucklye and Gregory Fedner will be going to Colorado Springs for the basic Military Course.

Fred presented the NLG award to Larry Smulczenski and Jim Downey for their work on the Bond Book and the first Sergeants, Daniel, Bell, Myers and Glaser were presented with colored Fest coins.

The Ray Toy Award for Outstanding Service and/or Achievement in Military Numismatics was won this year by long time collector/dealer and scholarship contributor Ed Hoffman.

Jim Downey was the bowling champ and Randy Poe won the poker tournament with Brian Giese second and Doug Bell third.

Sunday morning saw the Fest Raffle, and with Doug Bell buying 300 tickets, it was no surprise he won a number of times. The Fest Auction was next and a report will be forthcoming and published in a later Gram.

There wa one item of note ant hat was a sealed envelope presented as a donation for auction by Val May and was reported to contain items from Leo's desk. The envelope, won by Al Glaser with generous bid, was found to contan a number of Series 072 MFC along with two silver 2004 Fest challenge coins and two short snorters of Japanese Supplemental Yen.

After lunch, the Fest Outing this year was a trip to Cleveland to see the USS Cod, SS224, docked on Lake Erie. A special ticket, designed by Bill Myers, was required. The trip was enjoyable and quite informative.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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Spain was neutral during World War II, however, there is an issue of notes associated with Spain. What are the notes and where were they used?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

In 1941. a small change note was introduced for the Colonia de Mocambique. What was the denomination?

ANSWER:

50 centavos.

George Slade

ANSWER:

50 Centavos

Frank Clark

ANSWER:

50 centavos

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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I enjoyed Fest XIII very much as I have enjoyed the previous eight that I have attended. It is always the fellowship and seeing friends I don't get a chance to see at other times during the year that is the most fun. Thanks to all who attended for a great time. We did discuss the dates for Fest XIV and a list of dates with potential conflicts in below. Look over the date, and if you plan to come to the Fest, or if you are just thinking of coming, let us know what you think as far as a date for next year. We are asking for a vote, but an opinion. A number of factors will enter into the decision, not the least of which is the fact that the room rate for the Holiday will go up \$35 per night for a double occupancy. Considering the great rates we have enjoyed in the past, the increase is not bad at all. Fest costs in general have risen and consideration is being given to cutting expenses. No decisions have been made and your input is requested. There are advantages and disadvantages to the various dates and we all have our preferences. So let us know what you think.

2013 POSSIBLE FEST DATES:

Feb 22-23 Possible Fest Date

Mar 1-2 Possible Fest Date

Mar 8-9 CPMX

Mar 16-16 Possible Fest Date

Mar 22-23 Palm Sunday

May 29-30 Easter Sunday

Apr 6-7 Maastricht Paper Money Show

Apr 12-13 Possible Fest Date

Apr 19-21 Ontario Numismatic Association

Apr 19-21 Michigan State Numismatic Society

Apr 24-27 Central States

May 3-4 Possible Fest Date (Steve is this a conflict?)

May 9-11 ANA Spring Convention New Orleans, LA

We also have new ads below, so please take a look.

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to:<http://photos.papermoneyworld.net>

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Dear Editor,

The second known set of 701 first printing notes to be known in private hands was discovered at an Anderson Indiana coin show, not a retirement banquet. It is conjectured that the banquet is how the notes came into non-collector hands some 15-20 years ago. A third set was being sold on eBay during Fest XIII.

Joe, not Fred, "recounted how he became aware of the sets' existence and made a call and arranged for the sale."

Fred didn't buy the XI-E bond at CPMX, but at Chicago last summer. Fred didn't even come to CPMX this year.

Delbert Reason's correspondence included V-Mail, but no short snorters. He was with the armored field artillery, not the armed FA (that was Kathy's mis-statement).

The Canadian \$100 napkins aren't the new polymer \$100, but the previous 2004 edition of that denomination. And notes on napkins were also used at the IBNS London Chapter 50th anniversary dinner in October. I have since read a story that the producer of those (UK) napkins was bugged by the police as a result of using those designs and that the napkins removed from sale.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

I am still at the hotel as I write this. The final few Festers depart Tuesday then we will go home. It certainly has been a busy week. I was very pleased to read Roger's timely report with captures the essence of the staff briefings, but I have to make a few corrections and comments about my briefings (and those attributed to me).

I did not report anything about the wonderful discovery of a first printing set of Series 701 MPC. I think that Roger had Joe and me confused! Joe found the amazing set. I hope that he will relate the story in a story for the Gram. The at the end of his talk, the set was presented to Loretta and Dick Freyser who are the proud new owners. This was an historic moment because it completed the Freyser's MPC set by printing! It is only the second such set reported and their set has an extra twist. I hope that they will report that to us. If not, I will try to get back to it.

The serial number one soldier's bond was obtained at the ANA convention last summer, not at CPMX. This is a small mistake by Roger. I can certainly understand his mistake. It is hard to believe that I could hold such a secret for such a long time!

On the challenge coin that has been altered, it is not really correct to call it trench art. I called it hobo art because it was a carving on a Fest challenge coin in the tradition of hobo nickels. It is quite amazing.

At the end of the Fest we had the usual discussion of date for the 2013 Fest. Below is a recap of the most relevant dates.

I will not make any comments now, but I look forward to your comments.
Fred Schwan

Dear Editor,

I am in need of a copy of the Campbell catalog of POW money. Please contact me atmufelika@itol.com.
Jim Downey

Dear Editor:

There were two things that I learned at the recentMPCFest that require comments in my new MPC catalog. I have written these up, and I wish to place them in the MPC gram.

On page 91 (of my new book) I state that only one set of the First Printing Series 701 notes is known. But a second set has recently been sold. Both sets are from the FF block, of course, and their position numbers are 63, 38, 12, and 9 for the \$1, \$5, \$10, and \$20 notes, respectively. The set previously recorded by Fred Schwan has serials 06663934, 01100132, 00492244, and 02465913, while the newly discovered set has serials 06663902, 01100100, 00492195, and 02465813, numbers that are similar, but not immediately adjacent to those of the previously known set. In fact they are lower by 32, 32, 49, and 100, respectively. Both sets have holes punched in their left sides. The possibility that

other sets might exist seems obvious from these data. There is an unpunched set at the ANA in Colorado Springs, and I shall try to determine the numbers for that set. The ANA does exhibit a number of items that are on loan from the government, and this set may well be one of these.

The second correction concerns the listing the 15th Issue of POGs. In their website Bell and Swoish state that several varieties of a five cent token featuring holographic images exist. In actual fact it is one hologram with multiple images. I listed this item as #469 plus 473-76. There is no purpose, however, in listing the four later "varieties," and my numbers should now be 461-72 for the 5c POGs, 473-85 for the 10c tokens, and 486-98 for the 25c items of the 15th Issue. As of this month (May, 2012), no plans for a 16th issue of POGs seems to be underway.

For those who obtained a copy of my catalog at the MPC Fest, please do let me know if you have any feelings on modifications or corrections that you feel would be in order. I would also be most interested in any other comments that you might have about this recently published book.

Carlson R. Chambliss

[Editor's Note: See Carlson's ad below if you are interested in purchasing his new book.]

Dear Editor,

Would like to get two copies of the standard edition of the new German book. Who gets the check? Where?

Wendell Wolka

[Dear Wendell, and all of our readers who want a copy of Harold's book: please send your requests via email directly to Fred at fredschwan@yahoo.com. - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Please add me to your newsletter.
Thank You.

Steve Babcock

[Dear Steve, Welcome - your email has been added to our subscriber list - Ed.]

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FOR SALE

"A Concise Catalog of U. S. Military Payment Certificates" by Carlson R. Chambliss

This is a large format, 152 pages long, authoritative book on all aspects of MPCs that has just been published. It is in full color, and thus it is the first book on MPCs to appear in color. The book has been written and published by Carlson R. Chambliss under the imprint of the Speckles Press. This book was printed by Sheridan Books of Ann Arbor, Michigan, but Dr. Chambliss is entirely responsible for their distribution. Full-color illustrations are provided for all types of MPCs including the unavailable Mark Twain fractionals of Series 701. The censuses of MPC replacements are current with over 3500 notes being tabulated. Several previously unseen datasets on MPCs are also presented. Included is a complete listing of POGs that includes almost 500 different items. Almost

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Copies are available postpaid at \$26.00 each from C. R. Chambliss, P. O. Box 804, Kutztown, PA 19530. The author can also be contacted by telephone at 1 - 610 - 683 - 6572 or by email at atcrchamblis@verizon.net (one s). Quantity discounts are available for almost all sizes of orders. Foreign orders can be filled, but shipping charges will be greater. If you collect MPCs or have any interest at all in these items or in other types of military currency, this book is an absolute essential.

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

Any denomination of the Japtan island banknotes. I believe they were cent notes in different denominations (5,10,25 etc). These were printed I believe in the 50s in the Marshall Islands during the atomic bomb tests on Japtan island. They were printed by the US Navy. The next is a Midway Island 10 goonies short snorter note. This also has the test "The land of sand and Scaevola". The only denomination known is 10 goonies. Goonies are a local bird which lives on the Midway island. It was printed in the 1940s during World War 2 by the US Navy. Leeward islands 2 shilling and six pence; these were printed in the Caribbean. There are more denominations I believe; I am looking for any denomination. There are some rumours that these notes do not exist though, if anyone knows for sure it would be a great help! A 1903 Turks and Caicos Islands one pound note. I don't know about any other denominations, but if they exist please let me know. A Johnston Island 5 cent chit. I don't know much about this note but anything provided will help me a lot. I believe it is a World War 2 'chit' note printed again by navy or military crews. Finally a Ulithi lagoon 10 cent chit. I heard this was printed in World War 2 also, and was printed by the US Navy for use on the Ulithi lagoon. I have seen this note sell for \$11.50, but, unfortunately I missed the chance to get it. (http://www.coincommunity.com/go/_to.asp?target=http://www.ebay.com/item/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&trksid=p4340.12557&hash=item5ae4b64d8e&item=390384209294&nma=true&pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&rt=nc&si=yyZJ0kAAgGnyOJsF9nvKSlVvaMY%253D&orig_cvip=true&rt=nc#ht_711wt_1396). There is another seller on ebay who wants around 300 dollars for one, after seeing the first one sell for around 12 dollars, I personally think the second is asking for a bit much.

Ash Buck

ashbuck@ymail.com

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Baltimore, MD

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Sep 6-8

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Eisenhower Bonds,

by Jim Downey

I returned home from MPCFest XIII to find a package waiting for me containing an item that came from Ebay. It is a small Series E \$25.00 US War Bond. It was issued May 15, 1945 by the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles and is payable to Charles Bridges.

A number of bonds payable to Mr. Bridges and issued by the Housing Authority have appeared on Ebay in recent months. This one was different, however. At the top is a purple rubber stamp that says ** EISENHOWER BOND **. The date of issue is a week after V-E Day so I thought this was some sort of commemorative stamp.

I Googled Eisenhower Bond and received a couple of hits from newspapers from May 1945. The information in those articles was illuminating on a number of fronts.

The articles confirmed that the Eisenhower Bond stamp was a V-E Day commemorative overprint. The first Eisenhower Bond was sold to Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius in San Francisco on May 8, 1945 in San

Francisco. The May 8, 1945 edition of the San Jose Mercury News contained an in-column text box with the following surprising bit of information:

V-E DAY BONDS

War bonds purchased today were being given a special frill in commemoration of V-E Day the words, Eisenhower Bond, flanked by a star on each side. Anticipating the occasion, the U.S. Treasury provided issuing agencies the necessary rubber stamp ahead of time, as was the case when bonds bought June 6, 1944, had D-Day stamped on them.

Not only was the Eisenhower overprint for V-E Day officially sanctioned, a similar one for D-Day was also officially sanctioned with the Treasury Department providing the stamps to the issuing agencies!

One account indicated the Eisenhower overprint was to be applied on bonds sold during the week from May 8-15 1945.

I have looked for evidence of a similar overprint for V-J Day but have come up empty so far.

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Happy Birthday to Harold "MPCKid" Kroll !!

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Company B Sitrep,

by Ray Feller

As the Company B scribe, I am happy to report that Company B had a banner Fest. You could call us Company Blue Ribbon, as we swept all the competitions.

I arrived with fellow Company B member Steve Feller, aka "The Dad." We went straight to Harbor Freeway Lanes for the "bowling training." Five members of Company B came out to bowl. Their scores were as follows:

Jim Downey

Game 1: 210

Game 2: 208

total (with handicap): 410

Dave Frank

Game 1: 91

Game 2: 122.5

total (with handicap): 384.5

Steve Feller

Game 1: 111

Game 2: 114

total (with handicap): 382.8

Ray Feller

Game 1: 71

Game 2: 113

total (with handicap): 378.4

Former Champion Bill Myers

Game 1: 94

Game 2: 83

total (with handicap): 377.7

Our own Jim Downey was the bowling champion for the year! We were all extremely proud.

During the bourse, members of Company B mingled, reconnected, and--of course--did some treasure hunting. Later on Friday we had our Company Meeting. We each received our new papers and a black band to wear in memory of George Fitzgerald, also from Company B. It was very strange to

have a Fest without George, especially since he was, in many ways, very present for all of us.

Later on Friday evening, we had our opening ceremony, as described by Roger. It was nice to see a room full of eager people, including some new festers and a few new tiger lilies as well. Our staff briefings began with Dad Feller presenting on new finds for our second edition, which will be Feller, Feller, and Frank (a full Company B production). We saw a great array of staff briefings throughout the FESTivities. Company B's staff briefings were as follows:

Dad Feller

New Discoveries for the Second Edition of Feller and Feller (and Frank)

Bill Myers

MRE demonstration

Junk Box Finds

WWII Sites of Europe

Ray Feller

"Poker" Money at Bolzano Concentration Camp in Italy

Jim Downey

Phillipine Gas Coupons During Japanese Occupation

Dave Frank

Internment Camp Issues of the Dutch East Indies

We also enjoyed March Madness--May Madness?--with stunning Company B results! First and foremost, the host of March Madness is our own Jim Downey, who brought out some great head scratchers. Our Company B competitors had excellent performances as well, leading to the re-crowning of champion Bill Myers--our own firstsergeant! Company B members Dad Feller and myself were not as successful in answering trivia, but we won for our brackets, where we accurately predicted that Bill would win. So, the Fellers each took away a bond, Bill took the championship challenge coin, and the whole company swelled with pride.

Late Saturday evening, three tables began in the annual poker tournament. There were some incredibly well played hands! The final table included several Company B folk, including Dave Frank, Randy Poe, and Ron Waddell. Ousted relatively early (and shamefully), I stayed around to deal. Ultimately, it was down to Randy Poe and Brian Giese, but Company B member (and Iowa resident) Randy Poe ultimately took it all down on.... a pair of sixes!

Overall, it was another great Fest. We will look forward to Fest XIV where we hope to continue our winning streak. I believe, as a clarification, that the \$35 increase is per room, making it \$17.50/person for double occupancy. Either way, as the Battalion said, the Holiday Inn staff are completely worth it.

'Till next time,

Ray Feller

Scribe, Education Officer

P.S. - If you want to see Company B favorite Michael McCloskey (aka McFeller) next year, vote for April 19th!!!

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Remembered pictures two issues of tokens used on the Isle of Man; what are the denominations?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Spain was neutral during World War II, however, there is an issue of notes associated with Spain. What are the notes and where were they used?

ANSWER:

Spain issued 0.25, 0.50, 1, 2 francos notes for Tangiers when Spain occupied it from 1940-1945.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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When I opened the Gram this morning, I had over 250 messages in the Inbox. At first I thought we had a lot of submissions for the Gram, but as it turned out it appears we were hacked. Dan Freeland and Herb Friedman wrote in to say they received a strange message and I suspect a number of other subscribers got the same message. We have taken some precautions, the first being a new password for Yahoo. I also received an email from Don Kolkman who reported getting the last three Grams in zipped format. I do not zip the Gram so it is an error. The replacement Grams I sent were also zipped so I sent Don the missing Grams from my own email address. I do not know if anyone else is having the same problem, but if you are let me know and I'll re-send the Grams. All seems to be in working order now, so we will carry on as usual.

Check the letter from Hans Seems in Mail Call. The notes he talks about are as he indicates in Campbell and they are also pictured on page 180

(SB 461on) of the book. The word "specimen" is hand written across the face of the notes going from lower left to upper right and there is also a line drawn above and below the word. We were able to show the scans at FEST and the opinions were mixed. Other specimens are known with similar marking so Hans' notes may be legitimate. However others expressed an opinion the notes were altered to be made to look like specimens. Now, Joe Boling has seen the scans and I hope he will reply to Hans with a copy to the Gram. In my experience I have never seen any notes which were similarly marked.

I am also leaving the possible dates for Fest XIV below for consideration. The date will not be decided by vote, but your opinion is appreciated.

In collaboration with Neil Shafer, we are introducing a new feature in the Editorial Column to add a little levity to the Gram. Neil's tidbits

will appear weekly if all goes as planned. Here is our initial offering, so feel free to comment:

Stock Market Report:

Commodity named and its action described:

Elevators are up; escalators continue their slow decline; pencils lost a few points; cows are running into a bull market; paper remains stationery; diapers remain unchanged; and Scot Tissue touched a new bottom!

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Dear Editor,

Still not found Brown manila envelope with my Fest notes and money. Please look to see if you accidentally picked it up.

I had my name on the front and it was on top of the books I bought.

Thanks

Nick Schrier 800 546-8720

Dear Editor,

I need some information about some specimen POW notes.

Hopefully you can help me.

I bought 5 different Great Britain POW notes (Campbell 5015 - 5021 on page 125). All these notes have the handwritten word "SPECIMEN" across the face.

It is very similar to the Gibraltar note on page 125 in Campbell .

Do you know anything about these specimens ?

Have you ever seen one ?

Please advise.

Please put in the next MPC-Gram the following: The French Algeria Vichy notes will be at the Lynn Knight Memphis auction. Together with the POW

50 francs, theOranienburg note, the Spanish Lereida notesand the 2
Flossenberg concentration camp notes

Best regards,
HansSeems
www.world-banknotes.nl

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I just received a catalog from Valley View Coins & Collectibles. They are located at 25040 Avenue Tibbitts, Building G, Valencia, CA 91355. Email is vvcc@earthlink.net and their website is at www.valleyviewcoins.net, but there is very little listed on the website. I found the following in their catalog:

Nazi Germany National Pensions Bank Bonds, 100, 200 and 500 Marks \$19.50 each; 1000 Marks \$24.50 each; 5000 Marks \$29.50 each; or set of five \$99.50

WWII German Wehrpass 52-page booklet 1938-1945 \$99.50 each

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1937 Bond Issuance of Nazi Germany 4.5% 20 year term 100, 500 & 1000 Marks \$19.50 each; or set of three \$49.50

1938 Nazi Germany War Bond Issue 100 Marks 4.5% \$59.50

The Arbeitsbuch - A Mandatory Employment Workbook 38 pages \$49.50 each or Five for \$225.00

Nazi Germany Bond Issue of 1940 4% \$29.50

I described the above as they are in the catalog. If you have questions, contact Valley View at 1-800-648-0808. Hope there is something for Gramsters in the above.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

The point to Ski's check from Wheelus is that it said MPC only, showing that MPC were in use there at the time the check was written (or shortly before). This is a period we had not been able to confirm from available records.

The travel pay was in the new series 121.

Joe Boling

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Any denomination of the Japtan island banknotes. I believe they were cent notes in different denominations (5,10,25 etc). These were printed I believe in the 50s in the Marshall Islands during the atomic bomb tests on Japtan island. They were printed by the US Navy. The next is a Midway Island 10 goonies short snorter note. This also has the test "The land of sand and Scaevola". The only denomination known is 10 goonies. Goonies are a local bird which lives on the Midway island. It was printed in the 1940s during World War 2 by the US Navy. Leeward islands 2 shilling and six pence; these were printed in the Caribbean. There are more denominations I believe; I am looking for any denomination. There are some rumours that these notes do not exist though, if anyone knows for sure it would be a great help! A 1903 Turks and Caicos Islands one pound note. I don't know about any other denominations, but if they exist please let me know. A Johnston Island 5 cent chit. I don't know much about this note but anything provided will help me a lot. I believe it is a World War 2 'chit' note printed again by navy or military crews. Finally a Ulithi lagoon 10 cent chit. I heard this was printed in World War 2 also, and was printed by the US Navy for use on the Ulithi lagoon. I have seen this note sell for \$11.50, but, unfortunately I missed the chance to get it. (http://www.coincommunity.com/go/_to.asp?target=http://www.ebay.com/item/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&_trksid=p4340.12557&hash=item5ae4b64d8e&item=390384209294&nma=true&pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&rt=nc&si=yyZJ0kAAgGnyOJsF9nvK)

S1VvaMY%253D&orig_cvip=true&rt=nc#ht_711wt_1396). There is another seller on ebay who wants around 300 dollars for one, after seeing the first one sell for around 12 dollars, I personally think the second is asking for a bit much.

Ash Buck

ashbuck@ymail.com

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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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June 7 (set-up) 8-10

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Relative Scarcities of the Issued \$5 - \$10 - \$20 MPCs,

by Carlson R. Chambliss

Although the census data on the normal MPCs are still decidedly incomplete, enough information seems to be out there to make educated guesses as to the relative abundances of the higher denomination MPCs that were in actual circulation.

For the \$20 notes there is no question as to the relative abundances of the three issues that were in actual use. The order is 661 (scarcest) - 692 (mid-level) - 681 (most abundant). I remember the days when \$20 notes of Series 681 in F-VF condition were marketed at well under their face value. That is no longer the case, but this note is far from rare. In all three cases the \$20 notes are more abundant than are the \$10 notes of the same series. The reason, of course, is that transactions involving large amounts of cash were generally always made with the highest available denomination. For the other ten series of MPCs this was the \$10 note, but once \$20 notes became available they were widely used.

For the \$10 notes there is no doubt as to the most abundant variety. It is the Series 641 note by a very wide margin. For the title of scarcest \$10 MPC it is a very close finish between Series 541 and 591. Series 591 seems to be somewhat scarcer in replacement form, but for well circulated notes the reverse is probably true. Douglas Bell's census lists these notes as dead even, but I am inclined to feel that Series 541 is a trifle scarcer, at least in the better grades. For third place there is no problem. It is Series 661, a note for which there are significantly fewer examples than there are for their \$20 counterparts. For the next quartet I am inclined to go with 471 - 611 - 521 and 651 in that order. For Series 611 and 651 the abundances of the \$5 and \$10 notes are fairly evenly matched, but for Series 471 and 521 the \$10 are very much more abundant than are their \$5 counterparts. That leaves five remaining \$10 notes, and my suggestion is 692 - 472 - 481 - 681 - 461 in that order of increasing abundance, but one is comparing notes of quite different vintages and with different survival characteristics. The Series 461 \$10 note is peculiar because of its huge mintage and the fact that there were doubtless numerous persons who overlooked the redemption date for this first issue. The Series 681 \$10 note is definitely more abundant than is its 692 counterpart, but exactly how do either of these line up with

their Korean War counterparts of Series 472 and 481? For the 13 issues of \$10 notes I am thus suggesting (from rarest to most common) Series 541, 591, 661, 471, 611, 521, 651, 692, 472, 481, 681, 461, and 641 in that order.

The MPCs of the \$5 denomination were either the penultimate value or only a middle value note, and in both cases either \$10 or \$20 notes were favored for large transactions. They weren't exactly small change either, and so most were turned in for redemption when the time came. Fractional notes and MPCs for \$1 were often saved as souvenirs, but far fewer \$5 notes were preserved for such purposes. The two rarest are definitely Series 541 and 591, while the two most abundant are Series 641 and 661. Douglas Bell has recorded a few more Series 541 \$5 notes than Series 591, but auction appearances and prices in general would indicate that the rarity title should go to the Series 541 note. At the other end of the scale he has recorded a few more Series 661 \$5 notes than 641, but Series 661 notes are peculiar. This is by a wide margin the most abundant \$5 MPC in CU, but in nice circulated grades such as VF-XF or XF-AU, this note is probably less often seen than are its Series 681 and 692 counterparts. Thus I feel when all grades are considered Series 641 is probably the most abundant \$5 note, and the common end of this quartet should read 692 - 681 - 661 - 641, all of which were notes used in Vietnam. Of the other seven \$5 notes Series 471, 521, and 472 all approach rarity status when in high grades, and I would place them in that order for increasing abundance. Note that the \$5 value of Series 471 appears only in third place for all \$5 notes. It is a great rarity when in strictly CU condition, but when a full census is taken into consideration it is trumped by both the Series 541 and 591 notes. For the next quartet I would place Series 611 - 481 - 651 - 461 in that order for increasing abundance for \$5 MPCs. Thus my suggestion for relative abundances of \$5 MPCs is in terms of decreasing rarity Series 541, 591, 471, 521, 472, 611, 481, 651, 461, 692, 681, 661, and 641 in that order.

I would be most interested as to what other readers of the MPC Gram think about these proposed scales. Please remember that these lists refer to notes in all grades and not just to high-grade notes. The replacement notes are included in the totals, but there are huge disparities in abundances between these. The most notable is for Series 481, a series for which \$5 MPCs are relatively common, but they are very rare (in fact, unique at present) for replacements. Series 521 \$5 notes are basically quite uncommon, but they are less rare than are several other series for this denomination when in replacement form.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers are always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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If you were lucky enough to get a copy of Harold Kroll's book, this will be an easy question. If not, you need to do a little homework. It is fashioned on the same theme as the Match the Monarchs question in a past Gram.

- 1 - Clearing Notes for German Armed Forces
- 2 - Reich's Credit Treasury Notes
- 3 - Prisoner of War Money
- 4 - Conversion Office for German Foreign Debt
- 5 - Winter Relief
- 6 - Tax Payment Certificates
- 7 - Ships Travelers Check
- 8 - Ship Notes

- A - Kriegsgefangen-Lagergeld
- B - Konversionskasse
- C - Winterhelfswerk
- D - Bordanweisung
- E - Reichskreditkassenscheine
- F - Verrechnungsschein
- G - Steuergutscheine
- H - Bord-Reisescheck

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Remembered pictures two issues of tokens used on the Isle of Man; what are the denominations?

ANSWER:

Metropole Camp 1/2d, Onchan Internment Camp 6d. (1/2 & 6 d listed but not pictured)

Myers

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I am sure we can all identify with Kim's letter below. The Fest is a family gathering and Kim and her staff are a big part of the family. We are always welcomed, taken care of and catered to. It's not an hotel stay, but like a visit to a relative's home. Thanks to Kim and all her staff for again making us all feel welcome.

The trip to the Cod was an especially nice trip for me. I never served on a submarine and had toured one other World War II boat before and I was anxious to do so again. All Navy ships have basically the same type of spaces, mess decks, wardrooms, sleeping quarters, etc. but a submarine has some unique space such as torpedo rooms and conning towers.

The guide, as Kim said, was a submariner, a missile technician, having served on more modern submarines, but he was thoroughly family with the operation and history of the Cod. He was curious as to our group, and we explained our hobby and purpose. We all very much enjoyed listening and talking with him. If you are in Cleveland, take the tour, it is well worth it.

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Greetings to All:

As I sit back and reflect on the events of Fest XIII; the words escape me to describe how great everything was. Even though I work the Fest I still feel like it is family gathering again to be united by one special bond; collecting.

As I drove the shuttle on Sunday to the USS Cod; I was filled with nervous excitement to visit a real submarine. Historical sites have always been a secret joy of mine. Upon arrival fascination was upon my face at the size of the submarine until the gentleman told us it housed 150 people. The guide was direct and informative; I wonder what he thought of us; as I took a step a back and really gauged the situation I know without a doubt he would have fit right in. He was an veteran and was proud to have served on two different submarines. It was a day I will never forget; thank you Festers for including me in your fun day.

There is a moment on this day that really touched my heart and brought tears to my eyes; just thinking and writing about it makes my eyes well up and the tears start to come. Our dedicated and patient guide answered all of our questions, prior to entering the submarine, Roger Urce, offered the gentleman a challenge coin. Roger explained what it meant, the guide teared up a little and put the coin in his pocket with a big smile, I could sense he was thinking of different times, history in the making. In the background I could hear Kathy Freeland say good going Roger. It was a moment to cherish. So festers if you ever go to the Cape Cod, please challenge the guide.

I must also say on this day I am proud to be associated with such a fine and great bunch of ladies and gentlemen; men and women who care about each other in such a special way. Thank you to all who have served this country. I look forward to MPC FEST XIV.

Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,

The auction on Sunday morning concluded the formal part of MPC Fest XIII. We had spirited competition (and also some fun) for a number of the lots and most of the participants went home with nice additions to their collections. Mini-Fest certificates from various locations saw a lot of interest from Festers who were not able to attend those functions when issued. A group of eight lots featuring World War II Propaganda leaflets received good bids. Two lots of Meals Ready to Eat (MRE's) more than tripled their \$3.00 estimate by an enthusiastic bidder who wanted to run his own bid up. Unfortunately most of the higher reserved items failed to find bidders probably because most Festers had over taxed their budgets purchasing some of the great items that always show up at the annual Fests. Total proceeds from sales at the auction were \$2986.00 of which \$1029.00 went to the scholarship fund from donation sales.

Additionally, a Bid-board with numerous interesting books and other items donated mainly by Dave Seelye and The Master Sergeant Daniel was available all day Saturday. Of interest were a copy of "Philippine Emergency and Guerrilla Currency of WWII" by Neil Shafer and a number of the early publications by Fred Schwan. At the end of the day, sales totaled \$381.00 all to benefit the scholarship fund.

Our sincere thanks again go out to all the folks that generously donated items for sale at these auctions and also to those that consigned items to make the sale interesting to everyone and finally to those that participated, both at the Fest or thru the Gram. We couldn't do it without your help.

Larry Smulczenski

Dear Editor,

I do not bowl but can somebody please explain to me how Jim Downey can get 210 in Game 1 & 208 in Game 2 and only get 410 total with a handicap? Is there such a thing as a negative handicap?

Ken Berger

[Dear Ken, I do not understand it either and look at it as the "new math" when computing handicapping - Ed.]

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Any denomination of the Japtan island banknotes. I believe they were cent notes in different denominations (5,10,25 etc). These were printed I believe in the 50s in the Marshall Islands during the atomic bomb tests on Japtan island. They were printed by the US Navy. The next is a Midway Island 10 goonies short snorter note. This also has the test "The land of sand and Scaevola". The only denomination known is 10 goonies. Goonies are a local bird which lives on the Midway island. It was printed in the 1940s during World War 2 by the US Navy. Leeward islands 2 shilling and six pence; these were printed in the Caribbean. There are more denominations I believe; I am looking for any denomination. There are some rumours that these notes do not exist though, if anyone knows for sure it would be a great help! A 1903 Turks and Caicos Islands one pound note. I dont know about any other denominations, but if they exist please let me know. A Johnston Island 5 cent chit. I don't know much about this note but anything provided will help me alot. I believe it is a World War 2 'chit' note printed again by navy or military crews. Finally a Ulithi lagoon 10 cent chit. I heard this was printed in World War 2 also, and was printed by the US Navy for use on the Ulithi lagoon. I have seen this note sell for \$11.50, but, unfortunately I missed the chance to get it. (http://www.coincommunity.com/go/_to.asp?target=http://www.ebay.com/itm/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&_trksid=p4340.12557&hash=item5ae4b64d8e&item=390384209294&nma=true&pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&rt=nc&si=yyZJ0kAAgGnyOJsF9nvKS1VvaMY%253D&orig_cvip=true&rt=nc#ht_711wt_1396). There is another seller on ebay who wants around 300 dollars for one, after seeing the first one sell for around 12 dollars, I personally think the second is asking for a bit much.

Ash Buck

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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

May 31-June 2

Admission charge (discount coupon available at show site)

Educational Programs

Auction by Heritage Auctions

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Contact Taryn Warrecker twarrecker@collectors.com

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Cook Convention Center

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Memphis, TN

June 7 (set-up) 8-10

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Aug 7-11, 2012

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Series 13, No. 2122 Friday, 18 May 2012

FW: Memphis Philippine Collectors Forum (9 June) and Giant Philippine Auction (10 June) Plus Mailbid XVII.

by Ray Czahor

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3. I have been told that the above catalog will be put in the mail in about two weeks by Priority Mail. Now my customers who are not normally on Lyn Knight's mailing list will receive the catalog directly from Lyn as I have furnished him mailing labels from my Mailing Database. In addition, please look for Mailbid XVII in the same Priority package. My Mailbid XVII features 391 lots of Philippine, WWII, and stamp books including a few lots of C.M. Nielsen's research papers (this sale includes at collectors request, 74 lots for stamp collectors, many are very scarce book editions). Mailbid XVII will close on 17 July so plenty of time to bid. Starting bids are low but I know this sale contains many SCARCE and RARE lots so bid early. I appreciate Lyn Knight printing up my list and mailing it with his catalogs.

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Fest XIII Report and Fest XV Dates,

by Howard Daniel

I will be scanning and emailing my Fest XIII evaluation form back to Fred but I thought I might respond here about my choices to the Fest XIV dates.

The first available date; Feb 22-23 and Mar 1-2 are too close to my return date of Feb 20 from my five months in SE Asia. I will not have time to unpack, repack, and then go down to the Bay House and figure out what I will bring for Freebies and Bid Board lots. March 16-16 (in the Gram!) would be too short a Fest for me so I would like to extend it to the 17th and I would attend it. And April 12-13 are also good dates for me.

I enjoyed Fest XIII and my duties as 1SG of DCompany were OK too. My company gave me no problems and I would give all of them a top notch evaluation, if there was such a thing.

I departed on Sunday about half way through the auction and followed Bill and Don back to Fort Wayne. Monday morning, I tried to contact a retired Army Major friend but it appears he has disappeared on me again. You know retired Army Majors are always problematic. Then to visit an Aunt who is the widow of my father's brother. Then into A-Z Coins in the Glenbrook Shopping Center. It was jammed with people! The last couple of years it was somewhat quiet but this year....gangbusters. The albums I wanted to look through were just taken out by Neil Sowards to fill them up but I did find an Army Artillery token from the War of 1812 for a collector of things related to that war. Then just a mile or so to Fairfield's where George Fitzgerald used to work part time. It was sad for me and the owner and employees to talk about him, even at A-Z too. We talked a lot about numismatics but all I found was a rectangular wooden nickel with a theme for another collector.

I arrived in Sidney and found my usual Comfort Inn full! So I drove back up I-75 to a Comfort Suites I noticed about 20 miles back. It was not a nice place but I had to give an address to Beth Deisher and her husband, Art, to pick me up for dinner. So I stayed. We ate at nearby Woody's Diner and it was a nice very local eating place. We talked for a couple of hours about her retirement plans, which includes a trip to SE Asia next year.

The next morning, I went to Coin World and met with Michele Orzano. I left a bunch of Fest XIII stuff with her and she will write an article about it. I met Steve Roach, Beth's replacement. He seems so young, but I

am getting old and everyone looks young! It will take awhile for him to establish himself but I have no doubt he will do OK. He is very open to different numismatic areas and especially US and Canadian numismatics. I believe there are quite a few military financial instruments in those two categories so I am expecting a BUNCH of Festers to be sending articles with illustrations to him! Michele took me into the Subscription Dept. and I converted my CW and LSN to digital-only subscriptions and extended them another three years. Then into the Library where I read through about ten years of the journal; France and Colonies, in their stamp section. Found only one item of interest but it is a goodie. Then I took some of the staff to our usual lunch at a nearby Chinese Buffet restaurant. It was excellent, as usual!

After dropping off Michele back at her office, I drove onto I-75 and then I-70. By 7:30 PM, I was gassing up in Breezewood, PA and then headed south to I-270 and I-495. I arrived back at the McLean condo at 9:30 PM. I brought up just my laptop bag and suitcase and unloaded the other stuff the next morning. Ten minutes later I was out of the shower and into bed and asleep in about 5 minutes. Did I tell you I was getting old?

The Master Sergeant Daniel

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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The responses to the last question were very gratifying and my thanks to those of you who sent in your answers. I'll look to have more of these matching questions in the future.

Today's question:

The British Army produced a copy of the \$10 Malayan JIM. What language is used for the message on the back?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

If you were lucky enough to get a copy of Harold Kroll's book, this will be an easy question. If not, you need to do a little homework. It is

fashioned on the same theme as the Match the Monarchs question in a past Gram.

- 1 - Clearing Notes for German Armed Forces
- 2 - Reich's Credit Treasury Notes
- 3 - Prisoner of War Money
- 4 - Conversion Office for German Foreign Debt
- 5 - Winter Relief
- 6 - Tax Payment Certificates
- 7 - Ships Travelers Check
- 8 - Ship Notes

- A - Kriegsgefangen-Lagergeld
- B - Konversionskasse
- C - Winterhelfswerk
- D - Bordanweisung
- E - Reichskreditkassenscheine
- F - Verrechnungsschein
- G - Steuergutscheine
- H - Bord-Reisescheck

ANSWER;

1F, 2E, 3A, 4B, 5C, 6G, 7H, 8D

John Cheney

ANSWER:

- 1 - Clearing Notes for German Armed Forces F - Verrechnungsschein
- 2 - Reich's Credit Treasury Notes E - Reichskreditkassenscheine

3 - Prisoner of War Money A - Kriegsgefangenen-Lagergeld

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5 - Winter Relief C - Winterhelfswerk

6 - Tax Payment Certificates G - Steuergutscheine

7 - Ships Travelers Check H - Bord-Reisescheck

8 - Ship Notes D - Bordanweisung

I don't have Harold's book with me at work, so thank goodness for those years of high school German!

Ray Feller

ANSWER:

1. E, 2. F, 3. A, 4. B, 5. C, 6. G, 7. H, 8. D

George Slade

ANSWER:

1-F

2-E

3-A

4-B

5-C

6-G

7-H

8-D

These are off the top of my head,

Steve Jinks

ANSWER:

1 - Clearing Notes for German Armed Forces - Verrechnungsschein

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EDITORIAL

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Today's Guest Editorial is from Ray Feller

I just wanted to write a special word about the Holiday Inn Express.

This year, my father and I met up at Chicago O'Hare and then flew to Toledo together. In the airport, my father was already very excited about some items he had brought for me, so we had a little pre-fest gift exchange. He gave me two things: a copy of Paper Money Magazine with the first of his series, "A Somewhat Frequent Series on Wonderfully Historic Confederate Notes," and a set of coupons from the Lodz Ghetto. It was a touching moment to think about how these coupons, once used for the meager diets of ghetto inmates, were now sitting between my father and me in the year 2012. Who used them or who saved them? When it was time to board the plane, I slipped the coupons into the magazine and brought it on the plane. I had a chance to read the article en route to Toledo (great job, Pops!). I carefully placed the magazine in my bag and off we went to the Fest! Once at the trusty Holiday Inn Express, I emptied a lot of things out of my bag--my computer, my fest money, my poker bracelets (ha ha ha), and the magazine with the coupons tucked inside.

Can you see where this is going?

On the last day, as always, it felt like time had gone too quickly. My father had already left and I had several goodbyes ahead of me as I scanned the room for any forgotten items. I did notice that there was a

magazine on the desk. I did. And I thought, "Huh. I guess my dad left one of his magazines." Somehow, it didn't compute that it was mine.

The next evening, after work, I was excitedly pulling things out to show Michael. As I laid out my various treasures, I could not find the Lodz notes. I emptied my bag. I flipped through everything. Over and over and over. I called my dad. He flipped through everything of his. Nothing! And then it hit me--the MAGAZINE! No!!!

So it was Monday evening. I had checked out of my room at eleven the day before. However, on the off chance, I called the hotel and asked if they happened to find the notes or the magazine. I spoke to the person at the desk, who was very apologetic, but not very hopeful. She said, as I expected, that things like magazines were usually discarded when a room was turned over. However, she was very empathetic--sharing the time she lost a year's worth of tax materials!--and offered to write a note in case there was any hope. I spent the night feeling miserable. Here these pieces had survived war, but I couldn't keep them safe for a weekend.

Fast forward to... yesterday. I'm walking up to my office for my last appointments of the evening when I notice I have a voicemail from my father. He had received a package in the mail--the magazine with the notes tucked inside! Kim had sent it to him, as he had the address attached to the room. Everything was safe! I have no idea how they found them--had someone noticed the notes when they were cleaning the room? Had there been some Joe Boling-style dumpster diving? I don't know. But I immediately called Kim to thank her with all the enthusiasm I felt. There is no other hotel staff like Kim's staff at the Holiday Inn. Incredible.

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Dear Editor,

In response to Carlson Chambliss' article about relative availability of high-denomination MPC:

For \$10 notes, he places the 541 at the top of the pile, and that fits perfectly with my experience searching for position 8 notes - that is the only one I have not yet found.

Back when I was collecting MPC generically (in the 1970s), the only piece I did not have was the 471 \$5. He places that one in third place for rarity among the \$5 notes. That surprises me, as the 541 and 471 have

always been considered the keys to the \$5 set. His information is new data for searchers.

He mentions the 661 \$5 as an unusual piece, common in UNC but scarcer as a circulated piece. This is because a hoard of many thousands of unissued notes showed up in Saigon in the 1970s. I never heard where these had been cached after C-day for series 681, but they were being offered in quantity in the closing days of US presence in VN. Maybe Fred will recall the name of the dealer over there who had them - an American, probably a contractor. He wrote me offering packs of them. Not having an outlet for them, I passed.

I enjoyed Kim's letter about our visit to the USS Cod (not the Cape Cod). Is there a little Massachusetts in her blood?

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

My preference for Fest XIV would be March 16-17 2013, next would be April 20-21 2013.

Harold Kroll

Still not found Brown manila envelope with my Fest notes and money. Please look to see if you accidentally picked it up.

I had my name on the front and it was on top of the books I bought.

Thanks

Nick Schrier 800 546-8720

2013 POSSIBLE FEST DATES:

Feb 22-23 Possible Fest Date

Mar 1-2 Possible Fest Date

Mar 8-9 CPMX

Mar 16-16 Possible Fest Date

Mar 22-23 Palm Sunday
May 29-30 Easter Sunday
Apr 6-7 Maastricht Paper Money Show
Apr 12-13 Possible Fest Date
Apr 19-21 Ontario Numismatic Association
Apr 19-21 Michigan State Numismatic Society
Apr 24-27 Central States
May 3-4 Possible Fest Date (Steve is this a conflict?)
May 9-11 ANA Spring Convention New Orleans, LA

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Contact Colin Bruce kandybruce@hotmail.com

FOR SALE

"A Concise Catalog of U. S. Military Payment Certificates" by Carlson R. Chambliss

This is a large format, 152 pages long, authoritative book on all aspects of MPCs that has just been published. It is in full color, and thus it is the first book on MPCs to appear in color. The book has been written and published by Carlson R. Chambliss under the imprint of the Speckles Press. This book was printed by Sheridan Books of Ann Arbor, Michigan, but Dr. Chambliss is entirely responsible for their distribution. Full-color illustrations are provided for all types of MPCs including the unavailable Mark Twain fractionals of Series 701. The censuses of MPC replacements are current with over 3500 notes being tabulated. Several previously unseen datasets on MPCs are also presented. Included is a complete listing of POGs that includes almost 500 different items. Almost all items are priced, and up-to-date values are provided. There is also an annotated bibliography on previously published works on MPCs, and much of interest is provided in these reviews. Overall this book is without doubt the most beautiful of any published that concern MPCs.

Copies are available postpaid at \$26.00 each from C. R. Chambliss, P. O. Box 804, Kutztown, PA 19530. The author can also be contacted by telephone at 1 - 610 - 683 - 6572 or by email atcrchambliss@verizon.net (one s). Quantity discounts are available for almost all sizes of orders. Foreign orders can be filled, but shipping charges will be greater. If you collect MPCs or have any interest at all in these items or in other types of military currency, this book is an absolute essential.

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WANTED SECTION:

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WANTED

Wanted, military club chits/scrip from Okinawa

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TWIRR #83

Victory Clubs

by Fred Schwan

Are you old enough to remember Christmas clubs? It turns out that you do not need to be as old as I thought. Wikipedia gives data on such accounts in 1984.

Christmas club accounts were savings plans where depositors opened the special accounts then made deposits each week in anticipation of withdrawing the full amount for holiday shopping. Here is the link to read more about these clubs: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christmas_club

During World War II (possibly during the War to End All Wars too), a variation was sold. They were called Victory Clubs. They operated exactly like Christmas clubs except that starting and ending were not tied to any event other than buying a bond.

Savers opened accounts toward the purchase of bonds (I have seen booklets for \$25 and \$100 bonds). The booklets had pages to record deposits. The bank removed the ticket and stamped the remaining stub as proof of payment. When the final payment for a bond was made, a bond could be issued. The two books that I have had enough tickets for three bonds each.

The two booklets were prepared for issue by Chicago City Bank and Trust Company, but neither was issued (that is, no tickets were removed nor stubs stamped to indicate a payment). The booklets were obviously prepared by a printing or bank supply firm and customized for the respective bank. Unfortunately, no imprint identifies the promoter.

The booklets--and the pages--are serially numbered. That always attracts me! The numbers are rather low: 447 for the \$25 bond book and 170 for the \$100 bond book.

These items go in my financing the war collection along with defense and war bonds as well as other sales material. I found these two booklets at a stamp show.

I exploded the booklets so that I could better display the pages in my collection, make better images for publication, and--blush--sell some of the pages! The pages are attractive enough for small (2.25 by 4 inch tickets). Every ticket has a Minute Man and the legend "For Victory."

I paired the pages from the two booklets and took them to the Fest where they sold rather well I must say. I will put pairs on eBay after you have your chance.

I want \$15 for a pair of tickets. For this you will receive the pair of tickets via snail mail and via email an image of the covers (inside and out). Here are the numbers of the ticket (pairs) that I still have: 4, 10, 11, 14-18, 20, 23-37, 40-47, 49-56. If you have a special number that you would like to have, please email promptly so that it does not get sold at random. My email is fredschwan@yahoo.com.

I would love to hear about any Victory clubs on other banks and of course I would be thrilled to find one on a Port Clinton bank! I can see it now, a trial listing of Victory clubs in the second edition of the World War II bond book!

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Fest XIII Report/Bond Meeting,

by Jim Aitken

Hard to believe that just a few weeks ago we were in the booming metropolis of Port Clinton, Ohio at Camp Leo May. Needless to say, good times were had by all.

For those who missed this year's Fest, plan now for next year's Fest. The weekend passes quickly with activities, friendships and a world of knowledge to partake of amidst the collectors assembled. This year's Fest met every expectation.

On Friday May 4th at 1400 we had a bond collectors meeting in the Catawba Board Room. Thinking we would have just a few collectors we were surprised that all the seats in the room were filled. The meeting was attended by: Robert Drew, Jim Aitken, Fred Schwan, Dan Freeland, Jim Downey, Al Glaser, Bob Olson, Bob Liske, Larry Smulczynski, Dick Dunn, Steve Feller and John Cheney . As the meeting got started a stack of new Malaya JIM \$10.00 [SB 2176] notes were placed on the table. Over stamped on the face was a green, elliptical stamp that read, "Buy Fest Bonds For Victory- MPC Fest, Port Clinton, Ohio 2012". A large V was in the center of the overprint and "lucky 13" was imprinted over the V. While we conducted the meeting the attendees signed the back of each note and thus creating short snorters to commemorate the occasion.

Reports [Show and Tell] were presented by the following people:

Robert Drew showed and talked about a WWII New Hampshire Civil Defense State Bond issued to construct Civil Defense projects in the state of New Hampshire during WWII.

Jim Aitken showed 3 complete sets of specimen bonds for Series E, EE, and I with a story about their acquisition.

Fred Schwan displayed a WWII \$10.00 E War Savings Bond Serial # 1 presented to Col. Richard K. Lebrun in June, 1944, S/N X1E. Along with his report a special preview souvenir card was given to each attendee. The cards had two original WWII mailing stamps placed on them. One read, "Buy U.S. War Savings Bonds", with the Minute Man logo. The other read, "Keep Em Flying", with a two, fighter aircraft logo. These stamps were a gift for the occasion donated by Gramster Michael Deskins.

Dan Freeland, who collects bonds from all English speaking countries, showed his collection of Canadian bonds in different varieties and colors.

Jim Downey discussed the recent orange duplicate bond cards found on eBay. These cards were for Series E bonds, and per Federal Reserve letter of March, 1942 were no longer required to be returned to the Federal Reserve Bank.

Al Glaser discussed Fest Bonds and his need to collect as much information as possible to keep the current record of MFC and Fest Bonds up-to-date.

Bob Olson presented his collection of War Savings Stamp booklets, Saving Stamps and related material. As a result of last year's Bond Meeting, Bob has now become a collector of War Bonds. Oh, Bob! What have you done?!

Bob Liske, a new collector and first time Fester from Port Clinton, was introduced and presented his new found passion for War Savings Bonds.

Dick Dunn reported the purchase of a rare \$100.00 Canadian War Savings Certificate purchased at auction in Vancouver, Canada.

Our apologies to the JIM collectors who were scheduled to meet at 1500 in the same room. The Bond Collectors were still pontificating well into the second hour. Roger Urce [editor] asked, "Jim, please write an article for the Gram about the Bond meeting." Having to write from memory, and suffering from "OLD TIMERS", I apologize if I misquoted or left anyone out.

Bond Collectors agreed as they departed the meeting to reconvene on Sunday evening, May 6 at 2100 in the same location. Here began "Bond Blast 2012". Dick Dunn arrived early with a stack of uncirculated British Armed Forces Special Vouchers, Second Series 1 pound notes [SB 427]. The notes read across the top margin, "Fest 12 oops! [13] Bond Blast 6 May, 2012". The notes were circulated and signed to create a short snorter for each person attending this auspicious meeting. Attending were: Dan

Freeland, Robert Drew, Bob Olson, Larry Smulczenski, Bill Meyer, Dick Dunn, Harold Kroll, Jim Aitken, John Regitko, Fred Schwan and Roger Urce. Presentations and show and tell items were once again the topics of the hour. In the end, after much "Horse Trading", the meeting finally disbanded. I understand some late hour trades took place in various rooms with all parties feeling good about their new "finds".

Bond collectors now look forward to Fest X!V where we will once again gather to discuss the U.S. Savings Bond Program.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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The British Army produced a copy of the \$10 Malayan JIM. What language is used for the message on the back?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

I'll leave the current question up as we received no responses.

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EDITORIAL

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I've mentioned before in the Gram that my interest in bonds is primarily those issued by the Japanese and Chinese during World War II, although I do have one or two US bonds and a few others from other parts of the world. I was at the bond meeting for a short period of time and got to see some of the items in the collections of those Festers in attendance and was impressed by what I saw and can appreciate what it took to assemble the pieces.

The pieces Fred speaks about in his TWIRR did catch my interest and I did purchase one pair mainly because of the Minuteman which reminded me of the vignettes on savings stamps. The example from the \$25 booklet is pink in color and is marked as 75 cents, while the example from the \$100 booklet is a buff/tan color and is marked \$3. Both also bear the legend "Remember Pearl Harbor"

I don't know if I am now ready to add US Savings, Victory and War bonds, to my collection. Perhaps I need a little more coaxing.

And, from Neil Shafer:

Mama pigeon teaching her chicks how to fly- pushes each one out of the nest, but one little guy refuses to go. She says to him, "if you don't go I will tie a string to your foot and pull you off"... , whereupon he says, "OK, OK I'll go- I certainly don't want to be pigeon-towed!"

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Dear Esteemed Editor,

I just read in the May/June 2012 issue of the NI Bulletin that Captain John E. Sandrock, USN Retired passed away. John and I met for the first time over lunch in Arlington, Virginia when he was still consulting with a large firm with US Navy contracts. He was quite an imposing figure coming through the restaurant door in a blue pin-striped suit.

We met only a couple of more times and the last time was at his farm north of Baltimore, Maryland. Somehow we lost contact but I kept buying his books, and reading his articles in many different publications.

The most memorable experience he had that is of interest to Gramsters is that he was on the ship that delivered the MPC-like currency to Thailand right after WWII. And he was still in Bangkok a few days later when he saw it appear in circulation. I am also sure he acquired all of the very large collections of Hank Barton. There are many pieces in Hank's former collection that I would love to know their current location.

Numismatics has passed into another era when numismatists like John have passed on. He will be missed.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

[John E. Sandrock's collecting interests included China, Europe and World notes; he was a charter member (0026C) of the IBNS - Ed.]

And, also from Howard

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I just received a postcard from Carolina Trader Promotions at P.O. Box 769, Monroe, NC 28111-0769. His card details the Old North Carolina Antique Gun & Military Show setting up at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds just off of I-40 and I-440 in Raleigh, NC. I have been to this show and it usually has a little bit of everything. I know just about every Gramster would find something at it. It is being held on Saturday June 2 9AM-5:30PM and Sunday June 3 10AM-4:30PM. There is admission charge of \$6.00 but I think it is worth it.

Just about every dealer at the show has asked me if I brought any guns and/or military items for sale or appraisal. The dealers always seem to be looking to buy something!

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

Sorry that I have to miss this year's gathering, but there hopefully is next year....

John K. Kallman

[John also forwarded an email containing a photo essay from the 70th anniversary of the Doolittle Raid. I am sure you can do a Google search - Ed.]

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This is a large format, 152 pages long, authoritative book on all aspects of MPCs that has just been published. It is in full color, and thus it is the first book on MPCs to appear in color. The book has been written and published by Carlson R. Chambliss under the imprint of the Speckles Press. This book was printed by Sheridan Books of Ann Arbor, Michigan, but Dr. Chambliss is entirely responsible for their distribution. Full-color illustrations are provided for all types of MPCs including the unavailable Mark Twain fractionals of Series 701. The censuses of MPC replacements are current with over 3500 notes being tabulated. Several previously unseen datasets on MPCs are also presented. Included is a complete listing of POGs that includes almost 500 different items. Almost all items are priced, and up-to-date values are provided. There is also an annotated bibliography on previously published works on MPCs, and much of interest is provided in these reviews. Overall this book is without doubt the most beautiful of any published that concern MPCs.

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Update,

by Ray Czahor

1. The Philippine Collectors Forum (PCF) will meet on Saturday, 9 June, at the Memphis Convention Center, 1-5PM, Room to be announced. John Riley will chair this meeting. Dr. Greg Pineda, whose collection will be auctioned off on Sunday will be the featured speaker as he will talk about how he obtained many of the famous rarities in the auction. Neil Shafer who has cataloged the auction will add his insights as he has noted many of the lots, particularly in the Philippine Paper Money section, he never knew existed. Robert Stewart, Philippine Paper Money Collector, is starting a research project on 1941 and Victory One Peso notes. He will describe the information he is looking for at the PCF. Also, Roger Urce will cover the interesting Culion Leper Colony coin series at the meeting. Expect there will be a large group at this PCF so it will be an exciting preview to the main event on Sunday. Door Prizes and refreshments are planned. If you are attending please respond to John Riley (johnrriley@yahoo.com <<mailto:johnrriley@yahoo.com>>) and me (cookiejarpi@verizon.net) so we can plan the meeting. I have 14 confirmed attendees but expect many more walk-ins.

2. Lyn Knight Currency Auctions (lyn@lynknight.com) is producing the catalog and holding the auction of the Greatest Philippine Sale in memory on Sunday afternoon, 10 June. The printing of the catalog was delayed several days because of the delay in receiving back rare encapsulated items. Neil Shafer has a writeup in the May 21, 2012 issue of CoinWorld, page 62. You can go on-line as of today to "new.lynknight.com/Browse_Auctions.Asp" to look at 319 lots of truly RARE Paper Money of the Philippines--after being in the business for 48 years,

I was amazed at the offerings themselves as well as condition of many of the notes. Also, there are 31 lots of old Philippine Maps and Engravings. I understand Coin lots will be on line later this week and on-line bidding is accepted. Suggest if you are not attending the auction, that you register with the Company early: PO Box 7364, Overland Park, KS 66207 or 913-338-3779.

3. I expect Lyn Knight will be putting the above Philippine catalog in the mail this week by Priority Mail. Now my customers who are not normally on Lyn Knight's mailing list will receive the catalog directly from Lyn as I have furnished him mailing labels from my Mailing Database. In addition, please look for Mailbid XVII in the same Priority package. My Mailbid XVII features 391 lots of Philippine, WWII, and stamp books including a few lots of C.M. Nielsen's research papers (this sale includes at collectors request, 74 lots for stamp collectors, many are very scarce book editions). Mailbid XVII will close on 17 July so plenty of time to bid. Starting bids are low but I know this sale contains many SCARCE and RARE lots so bid early. I appreciate Lyn Knight printing up my list and mailing it with his catalogs.

4. Don't overlook reading the May 2012 edition of American Numismatic Association's Numismatist magazine as it features many articles centered on WWII including one: "Tokens of the U.S. Territorial Philippines" by our own John Riley of PCF fame!

5.. I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$25.

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The British Army produced a copy of the \$10 Malayan JIM. What language is used for the message on the back?

ANSWER:

If in your question you refer to the British parody of a malayan 10 dollar note I am sure that everyone knows the languages on the back were High Malay, Union Malay (in Arabic (Jawi) script), and Chinese.

Herb Friedman

ANSWER:

Malay, in Roman and Jawi scripts, and Chinese.

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EDITORIAL

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Have you looked at The Great Philippine sale on line yet? ("new.lynknight.com/Browse_Auctions.Asp) I took a quick peek and saw quite a number of beauties that would love to be right here at editorial headquarters in New York. The good doctor has assembled quite an impressive collection and I am looking forward to hearing all about (and, of course, examining all of the auction lots!) it in a couple of weeks in Memphis. I did hear Dr. Pineda talk at the PCF gathering in Los Angeles a couple or three years ago. He is very knowledgeable and eager to answer questions. Many of our readers do attend the ANA conventions and have participated in Forum previously, but I know there are many others out

there who have not been to a PCF previously and I would urge those of you in that category who are going to Memphis to put aside some time on Saturday. You don't have to listen to me talk about guerrilla notes and the round metal things from Culion, but as military collectors you should take advantage of the opportunity to hear about the Philippine collection and Neil's comments, and as long as you are there, stick around for Robert Stewart's talk on 1941 and Victory notes. There will also be door prizes and some other surprises.

I also wanted to mention John Riley's token article in the Numismatist. I do have an interest in Philippine tokens especially those with a Navy theme. Read the article; it is informative and has some nice illustrations.

Finally, speaking of Culion coins, I am in need of an example of a 1913 one centavo piece to complete the collection and to scan into my presentation. If you have one available, please write in with the details.

From Neil Shafer:

What do you call an Egyptian bone specialist?

Answer: a Cairo-practor...unless he's in de Nile!

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Dear Editor,

To all my friends as of 05-24-12 I am turning my Internet off . I will probably get back on sometime in the future but not for a while. Take care.

Sam Feedback 580-704-4954

Dear Editor,

Some of Hank Barton's collection went to Jerry Altz, who wrote a book with Hank on foreign coins made in US mints (ring any WWII bells with anyone)?

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

Reference Ray Feller's Guest editorial: maybe we should have a new Fest Award - "Most Valuable Collectibles rescued by Kim's staff at the previous Fest". Looks like the Holiday Inn Express of Port Clinton shines again. However, Ray doesn't have the excuse of senior dementia.

Ron Waddell

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Scholarship Fund,

By Kathy and Dan Freeland

This posting for the MPC Gram started at the request of Fred Schwan, our leader and friend! Dan and I have been working with the Scholarship Fund since June of 2007, about 5 years. During that time, we have had the privilege of sending a number of worthy scholarship recipients to Colorado Springs for the Military Numismatics class, taught by 2 excellent but diverse instructors, Fred Schwan and Joe Boling. Their track record indicates that they have taught the class together for the past 11 years. Both of us have been the recipient of this scholarship and have also elected to take the advanced class on our own to learn more.

This letter was sent on March 23rd, 2012 by Susan McMillan, Education Project Manager, American Numismatic Association to Dan we thought you might like to see this!

To the Members of MPC Fest:

On behalf of the American Numismatic Association, please accept our sincere gratitude for supporting the ANAs Summer Seminar Program by awarding scholarships to Kenneth Berger, Michael Buckley, Gregory Fedner and David Hunsicker.

The American Numismatic Association recognizes the importance of organizations, such as MPC Fest, to local collectors as well as the entire hobby. Belonging, participating, educating, and collecting: your club is all this and more. Your organization and others like it are the key to the continued success of numismatics.

Again, thank you for believing in the importance of education and for supporting the ANA Summer Seminar and your club members.

Sincerely,

Susan McMillan, Education Project Manager, ANA

As a result of the scholarships, and through the interest in World War II Numismatics, the class continues to be taught, although every year, this seems to be in doubt due to increasing costs in a number of areas. We would like to thank those people who have donated items to this years Fest auction and bid board, those who bid at this years auction, and those who have made cash contributions to the scholarship fund in the past and at this years Fest. We are still accepting cash donations for the 2013 Military Numismatic Scholarship Fund, which will send others next year! We also want to thank the ANA for its help in keeping this class going, and in encouraging others to take the class.

Dan & Kathy Freeland

[The list of donors for 2013 is posted below - thanks to all - Ed.]

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Who issued Voss Siege notes and in what denominations were they issued?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

For Allied Military Schilling Currency, which is the only denomination with an identifiable replacement note?

ANSWER:

Twenty-five schillings printed by BEP: replacements are identified by an X.

Myers

Bruce Potter also wrote in with the correct answer for the the question about the copy of the \$10 Malayan JIM:

Malay and Chinese.

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EDITORIAL

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There are a lot of things I need to do in Memphis and a lot of things I need to get ready before I even start to think about packing the suitcase.

I'm busy with a couple of presentations and the little surprises that go along with them and I wanted to update and make some sense out of my want book which is getting to resemble a pocket sized black hole. (Actually the cover is brown, but the new one has a black cover). There are notes to scan and my printer/scanner is not helping. Couple that with the fact that I need to get a new laptop because the old one crashed.

The auction catalog arrived a couple of days ago and I wanted to take a good look at Dr. Pineda's collection and see what I might stand a chance at placing a bid on. Ray Czahor's book auction has a number of interesting things and I need to look at that also. Then there is some IBNS business to tend to.

I also have a letter from the Master Sergeant Daniel on some of C.M. Nilsen's research for Burma issues and that will be in the next Gram.

Are any of our readers in Long Beach? The show is in progress and we would love to have a short report.

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In addition we will be offering, either individually or in groups, just about every Israeli gold coin issued until 2000 including the 1964 Bank Proof and the incredibly rare 1962 "Mem-less" Weizmann Proof set.

Ancient coins include Jewish War Shekel, a Jewish War Half-Shekel, the infamous Fisci Ivdaicai Sestertius of Nerva and Bar Kochba denarii. And many other coins, medals, tokens and banknotes.

We will have bourse tables at the Memphis International Paper Show June 7-10 and the Colorado Springs Coin Show June 29 to July 1st. The catalog should go in the mail around the middle of June and be up on our website around that time as well.

This is just a heads up. More details to follow in June.

Bill Rosenblum

Dear Editor,

May I have the MPC gram, please?

Thanks

R. Craig Kammerer

[Dear Craig - Of course you can and welcome. We will waive all subscription fees because you live in New Jersey - actually there are no fees; feel free to write in if you have any comments or would like to tell us what you collect - Ed.]

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Memphis Updates,

by Ray Czahor

I just found out today that I provided wrong information on the location of the Philippine Collectors Forum Meeting this Saturday, 9 June. The meeting is in the Nashville Room but that is located on the 2nd Floor of the adjoining Memphis Marriott Hotel instead of the Cook Convention Center. If you are attending and see others, please advise them as well of the correct location.

Also, a small change to the agenda; instead of passing of the hat for donations to the PCF, we have received several nice coin and book donations. Tickets will be issued and a minor auction of these items will be held during the two scheduled agenda breaks with proceeds to the PCF. There are also plenty of nice door prize/giveaways as well so no one will go home empty handed. The revised agenda follows:

COME TO THE PHILIPPINE COLLECTORS FORUM (PCF) MEETING: 1PM, SATURDAY, JUNE 9th IN THE NASHVILLE ROOM, 2nd FLOOR OF THE MEMPHIS MARIOTT HOTEL, DURING THE MEMPHIS INTERNATIONAL PAPER MONEY SHOW AT THE COOK CONVENTION CENTER, MEMPHIS, TN

TENTATIVE AGENDA:

1:00-1:10 John Riley: Welcome to the PCF, History of the PCF, and administrative announcements

1:10-1:35 Roger Urce: Coins and Currency of the Culion Leper Colony

1:35-1:50 Robert Stewart: Research Study on the USPI Treasury 1941 & Victory One Pesos Issues

1:50-2:00 Start of Mini-auction to support the PCF

2:00-2:45 Dr. Greg Pineda: Assembling the Rarities in his Great Philippine Collection. (To be Auctioned next day, SUNDAY, 10th of JUNE at 3PM by Lyn Knight)

2:45-3:00 Continue Mini-auction to support the PCF

3:00-3:30 Neil Shafer: The challenges and fun in cataloging the Pineda Collection!

3:30-3:45 Show and Tell--Bring Your Unusual or Favorite Philippine Item to Tell Us About.

3:45-4:15 Door Prize Giveaway--Many nice donations already received--bring more!!

Refreshments!!

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More on Memphis

Dear Editor

I have the following notes for sale at the Lynn Knight Auctions in Memphis next week.

At the Memphis live auction:

Italy

Campbell 6106 10 Lire overprint on 0.10 Lire ND

Campbell 6245 5 Lire ND

Germany - Judaica

Campbell 3972a/GE-186 1 Mark ND Concentrationcamp Flossenbourg

Campbell 3972b(2)/GE-188b 1 Mark ND Concentrationcamp Flossenbourg

Spain

Campbell 7340 5 Centimos ND Lerida Prison Provincial

Campbell 7342 25 Centimos ND Lerida Prison Provincial

Campbell 7343 50 Centimos ND Lerida Prison Provincial

At the Memphis auction session 2:

USA

MPC Series 681 \$10 8/11/69-10/ 7/70

France Algeria

Schwan-Boling 301 / Campbell 2339 / Feller-421 5 Francs ND (World War II)
in AU

Schwan-Boling 302 / Campbell 2340 / Feller-422 10 Francs ND (World War
II)

Schwan-Boling 302? / Campbell 2340? / Feller-422p 10 Francs ND (World War
II) printersproof

Schwan-Boling 303 / Campbell 2341 / Feller-423 50 Francs ND (World War
II)

Schwan-Boling 304 / Campbell 2342 / Feller-424 100 Francs ND (World War
II)

France Great Britain

Campbell 5036 50 Francs ND (ca. 1944) British run camp in France
EXTREMELY RARE !!

Germany Oranienburg

GE-102a 10 Pfennig ND (World War II) in AU

If you are interested, please have a look at the Lynn Knight website.

I also have a lot of interesting World War II items on my own website:

www.world-banknotes.nl .

Best regards

Hans Seems

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Long Beach show report

By Al Glaser

I Attended the Long Beach show on Thursday. Traffic was average, however not as busy as I would have expected for the first day. Not much in the way of paper even less relating to WWII. Of the regular paper money sellers a few had some nice high grade slabbed MPC notes but prices were also high in part due to the high cost to holder these notes. I was happy to locate a 681 25c replacement in a very pleasing fine with no damage. Not a note that I needed but since it remains a very scarce replacement I felt it needed a home. Once I was able to convince the gentleman that this note was not going to fund his childrens college, we were able to arrive at an equitable price. Heritage did not have a paper money auction session which was a bit disappointing, just coins. There was a nice representation of stamp dealers and this year they allowed the sports collectible dealers back. Although a small group it was another reason to attend as I also dabble in sports collectibles.

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EDITORIAL

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I leave for Memphis bright and early tomorrow morning. I wanted to get this edition of the Gram out on Monday, but, a thing called work got in the way. We can go for days, sometimes weeks, and only work one or two days, but, and this seems to be the pattern, the phone rings off the hook as I try to get ready. I really shouldnt complain, work gives me the chance to add to the collection.

Thanks to Al Glaser for the Long Beach Show report. Ive not had the chance to go. I have family in California we can visit and take in the show. Food for thought.

Best wishes to Bill Myers and hopefully a speedy recovery - see his letter below.

And

While doing some research on the web for ration tokens used during WWII, I came across this cute favorite story. It gave me quite a chuckle and I thought the other gram readers could use one too.

A Favorite Story

Farmers were required to submit monthly produce inventory reports. One farmer got a letter:

Show cause why you have 600 pounds of meat or face prosecution.

He replied, It was necessary to kill the entire cow at the same time.

Y'all have a Great Day!

Harold Kroll

Now I have to pack!!

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Dear Festers,

Due to the magic of fiber optics and physics, I received a request to review the Port Clinton Holiday Inn Express. If you were at the Fest, you probably want to review the hotel too. Here is the link:

http://www.tripadvisor.com/UserReviewEdit-g50862-d223519-a_placetype.10023-Holiday_Inn_Express_Suites_Port_Clinton-Port_Clinton_Ohio.html.

The Boss

[This is from The Boss so it must be done besides, Kim and her staff deserve all the accolades we can give them Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I will not be at Memphis as I was supposed to be at my two week training with my Army until 29MAY-11JUN. I did not make it to my Army duty because 2 weeks ago I tripped and twisted my left leg and broke my tibia. That is/was my good leg. I had a rod put into it and am in a brace and have to use a walker to get around the house as I cannot put weight on the leg for another month. Needless to say Memphis is out as well as the summer seminar. I am still planning on making it to the ANA in Philadelphia . The good news is that the one activity I can do is to sit in front of my computer so I am getting a lot of numismatic work done that I did not have time for. I also have not been able to go to work. Enjoy Memphis .

Bill Myers

Dear Editor,

Governor Orders Flags Lowered for Dutch Harbor Remembrance Day

June 1, 2012, Juneau , Alaska Governor Sean Parnell has ordered state flags to be lowered to half-staff on Sunday, June 3 to mark the 70th anniversary of the bombing of Dutch Harbor during World War II. On June 3, 1942, the Japanese bombed Dutch Harbor on Amaknak Island .

Each year on June 3, we remember all who were affected by the bombing of Dutch Harbor and the events that followed, and pay our respects to the soldiers who died protecting our freedom and defending our nation, Governor Parnell said. I ask all Alaskans to join with the people of Dutch Harbor in honor and remembrance of all that was lost in defense of the Aleutian Islands during World War II.

Governor Parnell has proclaimed June 3, 2012, as Dutch Harbor Remembrance Day in Alaska . State flags should be returned to full-staff on Monday, June 4.

A copy of the proclamation is available at:

<http://gov.alaska.gov/parnell/press-room/full-proclamation.html?pr=6146>

Unfortunately, I will not be able to go to Memphis ,

Joe Usibelli

Dear MPCGram Readers,

As of June 11, 2012 my email address will change to david@davidseelye.com and or davideseelye@gmail.com. And I suspect that I will have another when we move to Prescott AZ on July 5 2012. As an official short timer at Bausch & Lomb, my last day at work is June 29, 2012, so its 17 days and counting. We then caravan our two cars and with Hadley, our Westie, to follow our furniture to Prescott AZ. My new mailing address will be David Seelye, P.O. Box 13117 , Prescott AZ 86304-3117 . My Cell will remain 585-305-4848.

I have great expectations of a new fixed price list for MPC, 3rd party graded MPC, WW2 Camp issues, World notes. All before the ANA: A book on WW2 POW chits of the USA & Canada with Ski and David Frank;; a book on UNESCO coupons and who knows what else. All on a shoestring.

Dave & Judy Seelye

2013 POSSIBLE FEST DATES:

Feb 22-23 Possible Fest Date

Mar 1-2 Possible Fest Date

Mar 8-9 CPMX

Mar 16-16 Possible Fest Date

Mar 22-23 Palm Sunday

May 29-30 Easter Sunday

Apr 6-7 Maastricht Paper Money Show

Apr 12-13 Possible Fest Date

Apr 19-21 Ontario Numismatic Association

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Apr 24-27 Central States

May 3-4 Possible Fest Date (Steve is this a conflict?)

May 9-11 ANA Spring Convention New Orleans , LA

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FOR SALE

I have a copy of Angels in Red Hats and also The Black Tigers.

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"A Concise Catalog of U. S. Military Payment Certificates" by Carlson R. Chambliss

This is a large format, 152 pages long, authoritative book on all aspects of MPCs that has just been published. It is in full color, and thus it is the first book on MPCs to appear in color. The book has been written and published by Carlson R. Chambliss under the imprint of the Speckles Press. This book was printed by Sheridan Books of Ann Arbor, Michigan, but Dr. Chambliss is entirely responsible for their distribution. Full-color illustrations are provided for all types of MPCs including the unavailable Mark Twain fractionals of Series 701. The censuses of MPC replacements are current with over 3500 notes being tabulated. Several previously unseen datasets on MPCs are also presented. Included is a complete listing of POGs that includes almost 500 different items. Almost all items are priced, and up-to-date values are provided. There is also an annotated bibliography on previously published works on MPCs, and much of interest is provided in these reviews. Overall this book is without doubt the most beautiful of any published that concern MPCs.

Copies are available postpaid at \$26.00 each from C. R. Chambliss, P. O. Box 804 , Kutztown , PA 19530 . The author can also be contacted by telephone at 1 - 610 - 683 - 6572 or by email at crchamblis@verizon.net (one s). Quantity discounts are available for almost all sizes of orders. Foreign orders can be filled, but shipping charges will be greater. If you collect MPCs or have any interest at all in these items or in other types of military currency, this book is an absolute essential.

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

Wanted, military club chits/scrip from Okinawa

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

WANTED

Any denomination of the Japtan island banknotes. I believe they were cent notes in different denominations (5,10,25 etc). These were printed I believe in the 50s in the Marshall Islands during the atomic bomb tests on Japtan island. They were printed by the US Navy. The next is a Midway Island 10 goonies short snorter note. This also has the test "The land of sand and Scaevola". The only denomination known is 10 goonies. Goonies are a local bird which lives on the Midway island. It was printed in the 1940s during World War 2 by the US Navy. Leeward islands 2 shilling and six pence; these were printed in the Caribbean . There are more denominations I believe; I am looking for any denomination. There are some rumours that these notes do not exist though, if anyone knows for sure it would be a great help! A 1903 Turks and Caicos Islands one pound note. I dont know about any other denominations, but if they exist please let me know. A Johnston Island 5 cent chit. I don't know much about this note but anything provided will help me alot. I believe it is a World War 2 'chit' note printed again by navy or military crews. Finally a Ulithi lagoon 10 cent chit. I heard this was printed in World War 2 also, and was printed by the US Navy for use on the Ulithi lagoon. I have seen this note sell for \$11.50, but, unfortunately I missed the chance to get it. (http://www.coincommunity.com/go/_to.asp?target=http://www.ebay.com/item/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&_trksid=p4340.12557&hash=item5ae4b64d8e&item=390384209294&nma=true&pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&rt=nc&si=yyZJ0kAAgGnyOJsF9nvKSlVvaMY%253D&orig_cvip=true&rt=nc#ht_711wt_1396). There is another seller on ebay who wants around 300 dollars for one, after seeing the first one sell for around 12 dollars, I personally think the second is asking for a bit much.

Ash Buck

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Memphis,
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Show Report

Part One

The first surprise getting here was the mildness and lack of humidity. It was nice and sunny with a slight breeze and there was no need for the AC in the cab ride over. I went right to my hotel and my room was ready. I had a bite (I had gotten in at 0730) and got my bag together and went over to the show to check in. While waiting I ran into Larry, Harold, Fred, Jim Aiken and Howard Daniel. We caught up a little and decided to go look at some of the auction lots. The way the bourse is organized, its an easy process because everything is right on the floor. I looked over some of the world notes, but my interest was in the Philippine section. The Victory series notes were first and they were nice and I will give some of the higher denominations consideration on Sunday evening. I wanted to look and actually hold the 200 Peso Cagayan note (the one with the tax stamp). Ive seen two of these notes before: one had tape to keep it together an the other I would grade XF+; the note in the auction was at least an AU. I also had an interest to the two Dodocanese (Rodi) notes and I took a look at them. They looked quite nice despite the fact they were described in the catalog as restored. Lets see how they fare.

I set up the exhibit Howard Daniel and I are using as part of our talk on the Currency of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam during the American War (more on that later) and then took a quick look around. Many of the dealers were still setting up, but I was still able to look at a few notes.

Dinner plans were discussed and Larry, Dave Seelye, Harold, Dave Frank, Brian Giese, Jim Aitken, Fred and myself opted for the Blues Caf and the wet ribs. Fred decided he wasn't hungry but the rest of us acquitted ourselves well with the meal. You cannot come to Memphis and stay on any diet. We took a little tour of Beale Street and eventually got back to the hotel. Dave Frank, Brian and I ran into Pam West and we had a nice chat on the veranda.

Friday morning is the annual Society of Paper Money Collectors breakfast which includes a raffle with emcee Wendell Wolka. The other part of the program is the SPMC literary award presentation for the previous year. The Bond Book by Larry, Jim Downey, Sparky Watson and Fred (with a forward by Warner Talso) received a second place award for book of the year and the Canadian Bond Book by Dick Dunn, Dan Freeland and Harold Kroll (with forwards by Paul Berry and Joe Boling) came in third. Congratulations and well done to all.

I returned to the bourse and ran into Neil Shafer who was setting up his exhibit on the Cagayan guerrilla notes and we took a peek into the magic brief case and to my dismay, I was not able to find anything. Well have more time later to take a better look. Two other exhibits had military related themes, the first a twelve case presentation of the notes of Israel and Palestine by Carlson Chambliss and a most impressive type set of Philippine Paper Money by the BEP 1903-1949 which included the victory notes.

Friday also saw the beginning of the presentations with Ray and Steve Feller and their Short Snorters and other Souvenirs of World War II, Official Counterfeiting by Joe Boling, and the Currency of the DRVN by Howard Daniel and myself. Part of our program included a souvenir card picturing a 10 dong North Vietnamese note with a DA THU over stamp indicating the note had been redeemed. Copies are still available for a \$5 donation to the scholarship fund and a dollar for postage. You can send your requests to the Gram.

After the lectures and some time at the IBNS table, I looked around the bourse and came up with a few goodies. SPMC president Mark Anderson has a nice assortment of Spanish Civil War notes and I added a few of them to my collection; I also found a colorful propaganda note from the Cuban revolution picturing a map of the island and the Cuban flag. New York dealer Pablo Hoffmans table saw a 5 Piastres Indochina note with a pro-communist hand stamp from Anhin Province in Viet Nam added to my holdings and Dave Frank provided a winterhilfswerk issue dated 1936/37. I need to do a little research on this piece and will provide more information in a later Gram.

We opted for the Butcher Shop for dinner. We started out as a group, Dave Seelye, Dave Frank, the Fellers, Brian Giese, Harold Kroll, and me. Dave Seelye Harold and I made the first trolley but the rest of the group got a little delayed. We waited for a while at the restaurant, but when the rest of the part didnt arrive we decided to start as we were on a time schedule so as not to miss an auction lot both Dave and Dave were bidding on. The rest of our group finally arrived and David Seelye had to rush through dinner to get back on time; Dave Frank had his iPad so had a slight advantage. Dinner was great, as usual, and we all left quite full. Like I said, there is absolutely no use trying to diet here in Memphis, so it is best not to fight it just enjoy and get back on the exercise bike when you get home.

Ill report the result of the auction battle and some other interesting lots next time

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Myers

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And from Neil,

Memphis offering:

The reason the Romans closed the amphitheater was because the Lions were eating up all the prophets!

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The Boss

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Since Yahoo mail would not work I'm going to try a simple reply. As many of you know we were not able to attend the Fest this year; instead we spent 3 weeks in the hospital having some new hardware installed. Two rods appromatly 14-16 inches long and fourteen 2 inch screws which are supposed to take the load off of the entire Lumbar spine. I won't say much about the surgery but would very muck like to say Thank You for the card you sent. That was perfect timing,
Bill Goetterman

[Seems it is a bad time to be named Bill two of our Festers are among the walking wounded are purple challenge coins in order? - Ed.]

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Show Report

Part Two

We left off last time with David Seelye leaving the Butcher Shop and hurrying back to the auction to bid on the Prisoner of War (War Department) 50 Franc

(lot 1188). I saw this note in Valkenburg; despite the damage to the left side, the note is very collectible. Dave Frank had his computer and as he went to submit his bid the thing went into sleep mode, so, as you might expect all of Seelyes rushing through dinner (and having his key lime pie first while waiting for his entre) he won the lot anyway. Computers!!

Some other highlights of the sale were a 100 Franc Camps de Prisonniers note from Algeria (lot 850) which sold for \$ 950; a one anna from the Yol Camp (lot 1313) which sold for 575 and the next lot, a anna from the Central Internment Camp that went for \$750. Lot 1205 was the Oranienburg concentration camp note for 10 pf which I had also seen in the Netherlands, and the final bid on that was \$600. There were a series of four Karukera notes from Guadeloupe with consecutive serial numbers which netted \$9000. The two notes from the Dodocanese Islands opened at \$6000 but went to the book

Saturday morning I was up early for an IBNS board meeting and when we were done I went right over to the bourse. I had expected more activity but it was quiet as entered about 9:30; it was early. I was passing by Diego Pazz table (Chelsea Coins and Currency) and stopped to talk to Larry. I noticed a 100 Yen Korean note in the case (P 44) and realized it was the last one I needed to complete the series. The grade fit the grades of the other notes in the set and the price was right, so it will be going back to New York.

There were some meeting scheduling conflicts since the IBNS general meeting and the Philippine Collectors Forum both started at 1300. I was scheduled to speak at the PCF. I attended the first part of the IBNS meeting then went over to the PCF (fortunately both were in the hotel) and got there in time to give my talk on the Culion Leper Colony Currency. Part of my presentation included a souvenir note in the style of a 20 Peso Guerrilla note. I changed the wording somewhat and made the denomination PCF pesos. The notes were made using an old manual typewriter (thanks to an antique find by the Mrs.) and printed on grey paper. I stamped the back PCF Memphis and added a date stamped. The notes were serialized. Dr. Greg Pineda was gracious enough to sign the notes. All were distributed.

The PCF continued with Dr. Pineda describing how he amassed his collection and his decision to sell. Neil Shafer also gave us some insight into what it was like to work with Greg over the years and how he worked to catalog the notes.

Now the manifest was supposed to take place after the IBNS meeting and it was moved into the same room with the PCF. We really did not have a manifest in the true sense but were able to hear Neil and the doctor. There was no pay.

Typically at the conclusion of the PCF a raffle is conducted using donated items. I was lucky enough to find a WW II era bus ticket used in the Philippines for passage to the St. Tomas Internment Camp. It was in English with some Japanese characters which I will have to get translated.

After the meetings I went back to the bourse and over to see Keith Bauman who had bought some notes for me to look at two of which I had seen at the Fest. We had a nice talk and I was able to pick up a the New Zealand pound with the Fiji overprint, the five francs from the Banque de la Martinique and another five franc note this from the Banque de la Guadeloupe featuring some Italian guy named Columbus.

Mike Buckley, Dave Frank and I opted to try the Rendezvous for the dry ribs. I dont recall ever having been there in all my visits to Memphis. The atmosphere was busy and the place is fairly large, on two levels, and was crowded, as they are a Memphis institution Dinner was very good, the cost reasonable, but I must confess, I prefer the wet ribs to the dry.

About one third of the dealer tables were still set up on Sunday morning, no doubt due to the Pineda auction scheduled for late in the day. In years past the bourse was almost empty on Sunday. I collected my exhibit and happened by the table of Richard Bauman and as I was looking through one of his boxes found a post card with a picture of American internees being liberated from the Santo Tomas Internment Camp. It was dated 2-3-45. What a great find; it will fit right in with the bus ticket.

The Philippine auction started at 1500. Lyn Knight passed by where Fred, Larry, Jim Aitken, Brian Giese and I were sitting, all together, and remarked we looked like murders row. It soon became apparent that three bidders would do a lot of the bidding. The Victory notes were popular as were the other World War II related items. I got lucky and was able to win a VF 100 Peso series 66 piece. Lot 5211 was the 10Peso processed note where only two other pieces were reported know. There was some spirited

bidding and the final prices was an amazing \$20,000!. A specimen booklet of the Series 66 Victory notes, all replacements, sold for \$11,000. We had discussed what the best known example of the 200 Peso Cagayan note would open for, and I was quite surprised when it opened for a mere \$1600. I didn't even get the chance to get my paddle, much less hold it up, when the bid was over \$4000 which included those on line as well as in the room. It finally went for \$6500. Who, back during the war in the Philippine jungles, could have imagined that a note made from some tax stamps that happened to be on hand, on whatever paper could be found and using a manual typewriter, would be, at least to my knowledge, the scarcest and most valued guerrilla note known? Go on-line and you can find all the final results. Some of the coin/medal lots brought large numbers and you can also see those results on Lyns website. I would also like to add that Jim, the auctioneer, did a great job; he was clear and it was all well organized and had it all under control.

Fred, Larry, Jim Aitken, Pam West and I went down the street to a local restaurant for a light dinner and had a nice chat. Another Memphis International Paper Money show was over.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers are always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

Questions will be suspended until we return from the show.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Who issued Voss Siege notes and in what denominations were they issued?

ANSWER:

Major General W Steffens was encircled near Voss and received permission from the Norges Bank branch in Bergen to issue Norwegian state promissory notes in the values of 5, 10, 100 kroner.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

I talked to a number of dealers, and for the most part they reported a slow bourse. There were a couple who had the best Memphis ever. I always like this show, and I say this a lot, for the fellowship and the opportunity to have a few laughs and to catch up with my numismatic friends that I get to see at these events. I had the chance to meet a few of new faces, to sign up a half dozen new Gram subscribers and an IBNS member of two. It was also a pleasure to meet Dr. Pineda who was very gracious with his time. I also met Dr. John Grost, one of the authors of the numismatic book on Leprosy and talk about his fine Philippine collection and the leper coinage. Mike Payton, JIM collector, and famous for his tie dyed shirt also was able to come. It was good to see him again and he looked happy to be there. All of our best wishes for him.

Fred and I discussed dates for next years Fest and it has been narrowed down to two (?) dates. Fred promises a TWIRR soon.

Normal programming will resume in a couple of days.

Now I need to pack and catch a plane.

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Garage Sale Find,

By Bill Myers,

A few weeks ago I was visiting some local garage sales and came upon a VHS tape labeled "B-29 Pacific Action". I handed over the 50 cents to purchase it and took it home and have now had a chance to view it. It was actually two military short films. The first film was from the War Department and was titled "The Last Bomb" and had alot of footage of B-29 bombing missions. The second film was Army Air Forces Special Film Project 153 and was titled "Target Tokyo". It was about the first bombing mission for the B-29s. Training started in Grand Island, Nebraska. When they were trained they flew to Mather Field in California where they went through a final check up. There is a scene where the unit goes past tables where staff are seated. There are wooden signs on posts in the building and the first post has two signs which read "Designation of Beneficiary" and "Emergency Addressee Card". The second post has three signs and they are "Allotment for Dependents", "War Bonds" and "Insurance". The rest of the film shows the unit flying to the South Pacific and then shows their first mission to bomb the Nakajima aircraft plant outside Tokyo. This mission showed the Japanese that they were no longer safe from air attacks. I found the films interesting and there is only one numismatic reference but that means it qualifies for the Gram.

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Who is pictured on the Armed Forces Leave Bond, and what did this person do to merit the honor?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Who issued Voss Siege notes and in what denominations were they issued?

ANSWER:

Major General W Steffens was encircled near Voss and received permission from the Norges Bank branch in Bergen to issue Norwegian state promissory notes in the values of 5, 10, 100 kroner.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

The Philippine Collectors Forum and the Pineda collection auction reminded me that I have to sort through all my Philippine notes. At present I have quite a few Philippine JIM notes with Japwancap and other over stamps that need to be sorted out. I also need a couple or three of the counterfeit issues. Also in need of sorting is a 100 note brick of 10 peso guerrilla issues from Bohol (see Shafer BOH 106) that came from the Nilsen collection and were one of the lots I won in the last Ray Czahor auction/mail bid sale. A brief look through showed notes with duplicate serial numbers, and notes with the serials in different fonts.

Another project is to look at all my examples of 1 peso Philippine Treasury Certificates of 1918-1944. These include the regular issue, the star notes along with the aged notes and those included in the aviator packs. Collector and researcher Robert Stewart (rstewart0065@gmail.com) is conducting a study of these notes. If you can provide him with the serial number and the face and back check numbers, he would be appreciative. In his words, these notes have impacted lives. The Pick numbers are 89a, 89a star, 89b and 89c.

And from Neil:

I once knew a Marine sergeant who was discharged because they found he was rotten to the Corps!

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Dear Editor,

As of Monday, June 11, 2012 my e-mail address will change permanently as follows: judygatesseelye@gmail.com

Arizona here we come as of July 1!

Judy Seelye

Dear Fred and Gram readers,

I mentioned to you on Saturday about a medallet dated 1942 for service in Egypt that I had not seen before.

The medal arrived in today's mail. 26mm in bronze. About the size of a quarter and looped for suspension from a ribbon - surprising the loop would survive as the planchet has taken a blow or two in the past 70 years.

It was purchased from Egypt and I assume it never left home. Unusual. The 1942 date is early in the war and leads me to believe it was a souvenir for English troops, before we were there in great numbers. Purely conjecture - any thoughts welcome!

John Riley

[The obverse of the medal shows the Sphinx in profile facing right; the legend above reads XMAS STOCKING with the 1942 date below. The reverse has three legends: on top in an arc GOOD LUCK, in the center

FROM FRIENDS and IN EGYPT below Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Found: A series 692 \$5 replacement note, serial number E00202459, in Fine + condition.

Nick Schrier

[Cool where was it found and was it a good buy? Ed]

Dear Editor,

There is an lot on eBay of interest to Gramsters. It is a short snorter from Morocco, 5 francs 14-11-41, signed by guys from London, Port-of-Spain Trinidad, Toronto Canada, and Sydney, Australia. See lot number 280900368469.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

Roger

I would like a souvenir card from the Currency of North Viet Nam During the American War. Tell me where to send the money. And, by the way, I really enjoy the show reports.

Warner Talso

[Dear Warner, Thank you for the kind words. The cards are available for \$6.00, post paid, with five dollars going to the scholarship fund. Requests should be sent to the Gram and please include a mailing address. The cards are serialized; special number requests will be honored if the number is still available. As you might expect, 39 and 2 are have already been claimed Ed.]

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Contact Colin Bruce kandybruce@hotmail.com

FOR SALE

"A Concise Catalog of U. S. Military Payment Certificates" by Carlson R. Chambliss

This is a large format, 152 pages long, authoritative book on all aspects of MPCs that has just been published. It is in full color, and thus it is the first book on MPCs to appear in color. The book has been written and published by Carlson R. Chambliss under the imprint of the Speckles Press. This book was printed by Sheridan Books of Ann Arbor, Michigan, but Dr. Chambliss is entirely responsible for their distribution. Full-color illustrations are provided for all types of MPCs including the unavailable Mark Twain fractionals of Series 701. The censuses of MPC replacements are current with over 3500 notes being tabulated. Several previously unseen datasets on MPCs are also presented. Included is a complete listing of POGs that includes almost 500 different items. Almost all items are priced, and up-to-date values are provided. There is also an annotated bibliography on previously published works on MPCs, and much of interest is provided in these reviews. Overall this book is without doubt the most beautiful of any published that concern MPCs.

Copies are available postpaid at \$26.00 each from C. R. Chambliss, P. O. Box 804, Kutztown, PA 19530. The author can also be contacted by telephone at 1 - 610 - 683 - 6572 or by email at crchamblis@verizon.net (one s). Quantity discounts are available for almost all sizes of orders. Foreign orders can be filled, but shipping charges will be greater. If you collect MPCs or have any interest at all in these items or in other types of military currency, this book is an absolute essential.

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WANTED

Wanted, military club chits/scrip from Okinawa

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

WANTED

Any denomination of the Japtan island banknotes. I believe they were cent notes in different denominations (5,10,25 etc). These were printed I believe in the 50s in the Marshall Islands during the atomic bomb tests on Japtan island. They were printed by the US Navy. The next is a Midway Island 10 goonies short snorter note. This also has the test "The land of sand and Scaevola". The only denomination known is 10 goonies. Goonies are a local bird which lives on the Midway island. It was printed in the 1940s during World War 2 by the US Navy. Leeward islands 2 shilling and six pence; these were printed in the Caribbean. There are more denominations I believe; I am looking for any denomination. There are some rumours that these notes do not exist though, if anyone knows for sure it would be a great help! A 1903 Turks and Caicos Islands one pound note. I dont know about any other denominations, but if they exist please let me know. A Johnston Island 5 cent chit. I don't know much about this note but anything provided will help me alot. I believe it is a World War 2 'chit' note printed again by navy or military crews. Finally a Ulithi lagoon 10 cent chit. I heard this was printed in World War 2 also, and was printed by the US Navy for use on the Ulithi lagoon. I have seen this note sell for \$11.50, but, unfortunately I missed the chance to get it. (http://www.coincommunity.com/go/_to.asp?target=http://www.ebay.com/item/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&_trksid=p4340.12557&hash=item5ae4b64d8e&item=390384209294&nma=true&pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&rt=nc&si=yyZJ0kAAgGnyOJsF9nvKSlVvaMY%253D&orig_cvip=true&rt=nc#ht_711wt_1396). There is another seller on ebay who wants around 300 dollars for one, after seeing the first one sell for around 12 dollars, I personally think the second is asking for a bit much.

Ash Buck

ashbuck@ymail.com

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Preparation for Colorado Springs,

By Joe Boling

This is my annual advisory column for persons coming to the ANA Summer Seminar - what to pack. Although the military courses are not until week two, some of you will be departing sooner (within five or six days as I write this).

If you are staying in the dorms, you will be provided with bath towels and slivers of soap, but NOT face cloths. If you are one who uses a face cloth to bathe, shower, or shave, bring a couple and a plastic bag to pack the wet one in on the last morning. If you want to use a hand towel for those trips to the sink between showers, bring them also.

Only a very few (or no) hangers are left in the closets when the Colorado College students leave for the summer. Bring a good supply of hangers for your shirts or blouses and trousers.

If you are going to be there both weeks, consider bringing some detergent for the washers. Yes, you can buy it from the vending machines, but a small Ziplock bag from home will be a lot cheaper, and you will be using the brand you like.

If you are driving, and want to work at your desk in the evenings, bring a desk lamp. The overhead lights in the dorms are not very bright. Even if you are flying to Colorado, bringing a Tensor lamp (or equivalent) might be possible.

If you are bringing a laptop, bring an Ethernet cable. It's a lot easier to use the college's broadband lines by direct plug-in than by getting onto their Wi-fi network. The accessibility of these portals seems to change each year, so be prepared for either.

If you are planning to make the trip up Pikes Peak, bring a jacket, and maybe a hat. The weather up there is usually very different from what is down below. For the week in the Springs, casual wear. The staff members have been known to castigate folks for appearing in a tie and jacket.

Bring an umbrella - it is not uncommon to have a thunderstorm every afternoon of the session.

If you will be sunning yourself on the patio (or just playing poker out there in the afternoon), bring sun screen. At 6000 feet elevation, the sun burns much faster than at low elevations.

If you have some numismatic white elephants, consider donating them to the YN auctions. The YN contingent will be soliciting donations of material to be sold (there is a YN auction in each session). Auction lots will be accepted starting at the registration site Saturday, and Sunday/Monday evenings. Bring your check book also, so that you can buy items from the auction. \$50 bottles of water have been known to find new homes during those events. You won't want to miss bidding on that Australian delicacy, Vegemite, which should be arriving with Tony James.

If you are already a fester or a returning seminarian, bring that pay book. The penalties for appearing for pay without a pay book can be severe. Don't forget your challenge coin, also, and keep it close by. If you attended Fest XIII, bring your current MFC (Series 121).

Bring both World War II Remembered and the 4th edition MPC Comprehensive Catalog, if you own them. If you do not own them, they will be provided, but you will be assessed for them in the pay line, thereby reducing the available fest certificates that you have to use for other purposes.

If you have any military currencies (particularly of the years covered by the seminar class, 1930-date) that are mysteries, bring them. If we can't unravel the mysteries, we will at least get to see your treasures and record them for the next edition of SB. You are welcome to bring as much else of your collection as you desire to share, but there is limited security capability (space in the ANA museum, subject to restricted hours of access). I've not heard of anyone losing material from the dorm rooms, but there is only minimal security there.

If you collect fest certificates, consider bringing that collection so that researchers can record serial numbers and you have your material close at hand for trading.

If you own a UV lamp and a good loupe or hand-held microscope, bring them (and mark them with your name/phone number). Bring a millimeter scale.

Bring your digital camera for recording images of notes and ancillary material (and your classmates).

You can see from this list that the seminars tend to the very practical side, dealing with the actual materials as much as possible, rather than catalog listings of them. And if this brief message makes you wish that you were coming, start planning for 2013.

If you are going to Colorado only for week two, you are in luck regarding the Colorado Springs Coin Club show this year. They have restored Sunday hours, so you will be able to go to the show Sunday morning if you skip the library book sale. If your plane arrives in Colorado Springs at noon or earlier Saturday, you might get to visit the show Saturday afternoon. To accommodate as many arriving seminarians/festers as possible, any minifest conducted Saturday might want to be scheduled for 1600 or later.

See you in Colorado.

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German Marks training money comes in what denominations?

And, for a little extra credit, in addition to the denominations what other differences are there among the notes?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

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Who is pictured on the Armed Forces Leave Bond, and what did this person do to merit the honor?

ANSWER:

CARTER GLASS:

Newspaper Publisher

Congressman

Primary mover that created the Federal Reserve Act.

Jan 4, 1858 born of 12 children

May 28, 1946 passed away

John Cheney

ANSWER:

Carter Glass, When in Congress he was involved in the 1913 Glass-Owen Acct that created the Federal Reserve System, served as Secretary of the Treasury under Woodrow Wilson, as a Senator he co-sponsored the Glass-Steagall Act of 1933 which created FDIC.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

The RCNA convention is underway in Canada and I know there are Gramsters and Festers there. Im going to put Dick Dunn and Brett Irick on the spot and ask them to send in a report when the show is done.

Having been to Summer Seminar last year I can tell you Joes instructions are on the mark. I heeded most of what Joe suggested and it made life easier. The umbrella would have helped as we had a hail storm almost every evening. The meals are good, but dont expect to stay on your diet as there are many tempting morsels to choose from at all meals. For those of you who are attending, please consider sending us a report. If you all take turns, we could have one almost every day. I wont give away the answer to the first question you will get from Fred, so you might want to do a little reading on the plane. The important thing is to have fun.

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Dear Editor,

While setting at my table at the Pensacola Coin show today, I had the great experience of meeting and talking with Harold Kroll. However busy we were, I had to make time to speak with him. He also had his latest book WW2 Paper Money and Financial Instruments of Nazi Germany. I of course picked it up and had it signed!

I'd have to say after you get through the title not being something catchy like a Grisham novel, the substance and pictures (of which there are many) is very well done. I am looking forward to doing research on my notes and just wanted to thank Harold for stopping by.

Tim Brown

PS the MPC's were flowing well. I sold over a 100 of them but there were none on the floor to pick up it seemed.

Dear Editor,

Could you please add me to the MPC Gram! :)
Rebecca Rothgeb

[Dear Rebecca, of course we can and welcome Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Regarding the North Viet Nam souvenir card; where do I send the money?

[Dear Warner. You can send a check to the following address:

Roger Urce

PO Box 289

Saint James, NY

11780]

Dear Editor.

The last Gram ran off to the left and was difficult to read? Someone forgot to put in a margin?

Howard Daniel

[I would say Yahoo forgot anyone else out there having the same problem?
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Hans Walter,

By Danny Spungen

Hans is not doing so well. His daughter Debbie Walter sent me the following text:

June 18th 12:59pm: Hi! This is Debbie and Hans. How are things going? I was just writing to let you know that Dad was in the hospital for a few days and then a skilled rehab place. He had had pneumonia and fallen twice. They are recommending 24 hour assisted living. Dad wants to move and do that in Florida (Tampa area). Hed prefer Germany but Im not sure I want to move there. Thought Id let you know. Debbie

There is no doubt he is not doing well and very interesting that he would want to go back to Germany, where he has only visited a few times since the end of WWII.

There is also no doubt at all that since I met Hans in August 2008 (with Fred Schwan), Hans has the most fond memories of being part of us since then! Whenever I am with Hans and/or Debbie the discussions always revolve around his attending the three MPCFest conventions 2009-2011 with the side trips to the University of Toledo tennis team, his incredible week at Northfield Mount Herman in 2012 and all the way to Washington DC

in 2011 to participate in the Secret Service events that included a private tour of the counterfeit lab!!!!!!

Everyone on this email (and I am sure I missed several more) opened their schools, institutions, tennis courts and hearts to Hans and he Loves it!!!! He wears all the shirts (and hats) from all the visitswears them right on his heart!!!

I was/am hoping to have Hans at the ANA Chicago Show as an honored guest in summer of 2013 but although I will hope/pray.it is most likely not going to happen..but that is not for me/us to decide!!!!!!

For those wishing to send Hans a note.please send directly to him and I will be sure to have Debbie save them all!!!

Hans Walter

4823 Smoketalk Lane

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Twenty Year Anniversary of VE Day Medal,

By David Klinger

I saw a WWII related medal on eBay which made me realize how little I really know about the some of the details of WWII history.

This medal was minted in 1965 and celebrates the twenty-year anniversary of V-E Day. It depicts three generals, representing the three major allies (United States, Great Britain, France). When I first looked at the medal I recognized Eisenhower and assumed that the other two were Montgomery and de Gaulle. When I put my glasses on I was surprised to see the names. The full obverse inscription reads: THESE WERE HONORED IN THEIR GENERATION AND WERE THE GLORY OF THEIR TIMES 1939-1945 EISENHOWER, ALEXANDER, KOENIG.

First, I knew that in September 1944, after the Normandy operation, Montgomery was promoted to Field Marshall. This made him senior to General Alexander. But what I didn't realize is that when General Alexander was also promoted to Field Marshall in December 1944 his date of rank was backdated to June 1944. This once again made him senior to Montgomery and accounts for why he is on the medal.

Next, why Koenig? I found that he was assigned to the Supreme Allied HQ representing the Free French with Eisenhower. But in 1940 Koenig was only a Captain in the French army. He was promoted to Colonel just before the French army folded for his performance in Norway. He then went to England to join de Gaulle as his aide. I found that de Gaulle was himself only a Colonel in early 1940, and was promoted to Brigadier General on 24 May,

1940, a rank he would hold for the rest of his life. It was in England in that de Gaulle declared himself the head of state of the Free French, and he made Koenig his 'defense minister'. He later promoted Koenig to four star general in order for him to have more clout in the Supreme Allied HQ. In 1944, he was given command of the Free French that participated in the Invasion of Normandy. This then accounts for why Koenig is on the medal.

The reverse of the medal also caused me some challenges. It reads TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY V-E DAY. There is a chevron shaped shield and a circular logo with the letters UJA and a radiant lit candle. The logo is for the United Jewish Appeal who sponsored the medal. The shield is the patch of the Allied Expeditionary Forces. It has a flaming sword below a rainbow. They are both on a field of branches which I think are olive branches, but which the ANS says are laurel branches.

The medal was minted by the Medallic Art Co. of NY, which is engraved on the edge. It is a 3" bronze medal weighing 199.69 grams. The ANS reports that at least one medal was minted in silver. It was presented to Senator Javits of New York, who was active with the United Jewish Appeal.

By the way, I was sniped during the final seconds of the eBay auction, so I don't own the medal. But, I learned a lot. I will find another.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

How may block combinations are known for series 1935A silver certificates overprinted HAWAII?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

German Marks training money comes in what denominations?

And, for a little extra credit, in addition to the denominations what other differences are there among the notes?

ANSWER:

1, 5, 10, 50 pfennig; 1, 5, 10, 20, 50 marks. Each denomination is a different color; pfennig notes are smaller in size than the mark notes.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

I had the pleasure of meeting Hans at Fest on more than one occasion. He is a gentle man and a gentlemen and I consider myself fortunate to have been able to talk directly with him. I know I speak for all of our readers who were able to meet Hans and share his experiences, not only from a numismatic standpoint, but from a historical one as well. I wish him the best.

Dave Klingers article jogs a spot in the back of my head that tells me I have seen this medal. If memory serves, it was at a show in Baltimore a few years past at the table of the late Stephen Tanenbaum. I was drawn to the medal because of its obverse design. For whatever reason, I did not buy it, most likely because of the price. Something also rings a bell that it might have been in a different metal. I like the piece and would put one in my WW II collection. Go to eBay and search for 1965 20th Anniversary

V-E Day Medal Eisenhower and you will see the lot David describes.

And speaking of my memory, I should correct my comment about the RCNA convention. Of course it is not currently underway; it doesnt start until 19 JULY not 19 JUNE. Look closely at the spellings of the two months: they both have four letters and both start with a J. I would guess neither Dick Dunn nor Brett Irick has had the chance to read the last Gram.

And from Neil:

I heard of a doctor running through the hospital hall yelling "Typhoid!" "Measles!" "Tetanus!"- Apparently he liked to call the shots.

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Dear Editor,

I was beaming after reading the very gracious comments about my new book, World War II Paper Money and Financial Instruments of Nazi Germany, from Tim Brown while attending the Pensacola Coin Show, Pensacola Florida last weekend. Tim was my first contact on the bourse and after a interesting conversation and the first sale, I was uplifted as was my enthusiasm to continue making my rounds to the other dealers. Although I did not sell to every dealer there I was very happy with the copies that were purchased and the side bonus of meeting new people and the varied conversations of our wonderful hobby. Thanks Tim

Harold "mpckid" Kroll

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Cheers, Harold

Dear Editor,

Since you ask if anyone else had the same problem, I'd have to say NO. However I've received a few GRAMS that did run off to the right with no apparent right margin. I'm trying to imagine it running off to the left but if The Master Sergeant says it ran off to the left, I believe him. BTW this Gram came in perfectly. I didn't have to scroll left or right, just down.

Dick Freyser

Dear Editor,

I have had a similar problem, but didn't want to bother you with a complaint. The last few issues have not had a delimiter on the right margin. This issue was back to normal.

Warner Talso

Dear Gramsters,

If the copy in your browser bleeds to the right so that you cannot read it,

hit REPLY (but don't hit send) and your browser should reformat it according to the space available, rewrapping lines so that you can then read the entire text.

Regards,

Fred Reed

Dear Editor,

Responding to the Gram running off to the left:

I too noticed a change in the previous MPCgram. Something changed my e-mail reader settings in YAHOO, font was larger, zoom reset to 105% and right margin was outside the view panel. I solved the problem by setting the zoom to 75% and all of my difficulties were solved. I hope that helps.

Thanks,
John Phipps

Dear Editor,

That SHEAF patch [referred to by David Klinger] continues today as the patch of US Army Europe - USAREUR. I have worn it at least twice in my career.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank George Slade, Val May, and John and Nancy Wilson for their recent donations to the Military Numismatic Scholarship Fund.

Thanks again,

Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Picture Post Card ...large circular portrait of Hitler in black & white
Red 20 haleru Czech postage stamp with violet "Wie Sind Frei/swastika",
canceled Oct 5, 1938 Alt-Habendorf-Sudetengau, unaddressed. Item #91 of
"Manner ber Zeit" series of post cards. A few old hinge residue at edges.
\$35.00 postpaid. (Bohemia & Moravia for reference)

Note: These overprints exist on Czech postage and I believe revenue
stamps also and checking with the current editor of Scotts stamp
catalogues are not listed, just mentioned as they are considered local
and not provisional, I would call these very political as they were
issued as the German forces swept across the country. Very scarce item.
A while back it was suggested to list stamps in WW II Remembered. Well
this is just one good example of non-Scott listed material. Another is
NSDAP revenue stamps... just type in Germany revenue on eBay for just a
sampling of how the war was partially financed with taxes on almost
everything.

Contact Colin Bruce

kandybruce@hotmail.com

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Adventures With Fred

by Dave Frank

I missed a call on my cell phone Sunday but luckily a voicemail was left. It was from Fred, Im passing through St. Louis tomorrow but I havent left Port Clinton yet, lets get together around noon at Overlord Military. In

case you dont remember from a past gram, Overlord Military is the largest black hole of everything military in the Midwest. I live in St. Louis and had never heard of it until Fred reported on it. I moved patients Monday morning to make the meeting and texted Fred that I could make it. Yes Fred can text even though the old man is 7 months older than me. During my last patient of the morning, I receive text updates as to Freds progress such as I am here early but I think I can find a way to pass the time. I left for the meeting at 11:30 and realized that I didnt have my Challenge coin. I raced home, ran into the house and there was my wife probably thinking I was home for a nooner. I said no time out of my way I need my Coin to meet Fred. I left for Overlord and after breaking every speed limit, still made it by 12:00pm. Fred already had a small pile of items picked out (I will let him describe them) and was working on Tony (the owner) to sell him a trench art bracelet with Fred engraved on it. This is the second time Fred has tried to buy it with no luck. Tony must be aware of Freds technique and would not remove the piece from the case. Once he has his hands on an item he will not let go until its his. There was a great show and tell with Tony bringing out case after case of sweetheart jewelry. Fred went to his car and brought in a case of sweetheart jewelry and trench art made from coins. We were joined in the shop by a gentleman with long white hair and a long white beard that looked like Santa Claus. Fred and I did a doubletake thinking we had seen the ghost of Leo May. Fred was able to get Tony to buy a Remembered, a bond book, and Harolds new book. We bid Tony goodbye and headed to his suggestion for lunch Woofies. Chicago has a hot dog stand on almost every corner, but St. Louis has Woofies, an institution (hole in the wall) from the sixtys. While chowing down on a couple of Big Daddy hot dogs, Fred remembered Tony telling a customer about another military shop in town. A phone call to Tony to first thank him for the excellent choice of a fine gourmet establishment and then instructions on where the other shop was located. This is where my adventures with Fred ended because I had to go back to work and Fred was going to Alamo Military a show on the South side of St. Louis. Fred will have to report on his finds there. So if you ever get a call to meet Fred somewhere in your town, drop what you are doing and go, you will have a great time.

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Hi Philippine Numismatic and WWII Book Collectors,
by Ray Czahor

1. The Philippine Collectors Forum (PCF) in Memphis on Saturday, 9 June, at the Memphis Convention Center, was a grand success with 45 attendees (and I missed it). John Riley chaired this meeting which featured Dr. Greg Pineda, whose collection was auctioned the next day. Neil Shafer who cataloged the auction added his thoughts and observations. Also, Roger Urce gave a talk on the Culion Leper Colony series. John has written up a comprehensive article on the meeting and it is supposed to be entered into the August NUMISMATIST so please look for it.
2. Please start planning to attend ANA's World Fair of Money in Philadelphia August 7-11, 2012. The next Philippine Collectors Forum meeting will be on Friday, August 10th, 1-5PM during the show. I am

planning to attend this one. Please let me know if you have a presentation for this meeting. Roger has agreed to repeat his talk on Culion Leper Colony issues--I have a couple of additions to Rogers talk that no one has seen in many years. This should also be a great meeting.

3. I hope many of you won lots in the Lyn Knight's calling of the Pineda auction. I won several but not the two 500 Peso VICTORY Notes I really wanted. Bidding went out of sight on many Philippine Banknotes!

4. By now everyone should have received Mailbid XVII from me or from Lyn Knight (if not contact me and I will email you a version which is in Excel format. I have already started to receive about 35 sets of bids for books listed in the sale. Mailbid XVII will close on 17 July so still plenty of time to bid. About the 10th of July I will be contacting bidders on bid status. Starting bids are low but I know this sale contains many SCARCE and RARE lots so bid early. I appreciated Lyn Knight printing up my list and mailing it with his catalogs.

5.. I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$22.

6. I have just received the 2012 7th Edition of US/Philippine Coins. Mr. Culhane has added a Spanish section to the catalog. No photos of varieties are included so you will need to refer back to the 6th edition for those. Cost of the new edition is \$28 Postpaid in the USA.

7. I also have available: "History and Mintage Philippine Counterstamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, MD. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counterstamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate.

8. I have restocked my supply of the professionally made blue Philippine coin albums. Please contact me for price and availability of specific albums. There are now ten albums starting with the Spanish series through the Republic series.
cookiejarpi@verizon.net

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On what do we find the phrase Brigata Garibaldi?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

How may block combinations are known for series 1935A silver certificates over printed HAWAII?

ANSWER:

There were eight blocks for the Hawaiian Silver Certificates.

George Slade

ANSWER:

1935A had 8 regular block combinations, YB, ZB, AC, CC, FC, LC PC, SC and 5 replacement block combinations, * 640...A, * 660...A, * 702...A, * 873...A, * 911...A

NOTE: There were only 12,000 printed in the FC block.

The other more rare printings were the BB, *, and AC blocks.

Total 13 block combinations.

The 1935 Series also had "experimentals":

R S 708...C and * 911 76001 A...

S S 738...C and * 911 88001 A...

"Special Finish" AB

"Special Paper" BB

Control Group CB

"Cotton Linen" XB and YB

Control Group ZB

John Cheney

[John answered the question and gave us a little bit more information Ed.]

ANSWER:

Answer \$1 series 1935A 8 blocks plus replacements
Myers

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EDITORIAL

Reading Daves story I am picturing the last patient in the chair while Dave is getting text updates from Fred. Im wondering if it is a simple exam or something complicated like a root canal or an extraction. And, what of the conversation? Dentists have a habit of filling your mouth with cotton things and all sorts of instruments then asking you how you are doing. The scary part is that they understand what you are mumbling. (There must be a class for that in Dental School)

Having seen Fred in action myself I can tell you it is a wonder to behold.. The technique works, as I have used it myself, but it seems on this occasion, Fred was outfoxed by Tony. He did manage to sell some books, and that should have made his day. We should expect a full report from Fred on what happened after Dave had to get back to his patients. Id also like to know who sprang for the gourmet lunch, and if Daves wife at least got a piece of jewelry out of the deal, even if it was a piece of trench art.

On a serious note, the news about the fires in Colorado and other parts of the west is quite concerning. The ANA website reports that session two of the Summer Seminar is still on schedule and that they are following the lead of the college, which, at this point, is miles from the fires, although residents have been advised to stay indoors with windows shut. They also advise any session two registrants who wish to cancel will

receive a full refund. Perhaps we can get a report from one of our readers who are currently attending session one.

Take a look below for a new item for sale by Colin Bruce

And from Neil:

And here is another story, longer but I think worth the effort:

On a remote Pacific island the inhabitants had three life-guiding beliefs. 1) Porpoises swimming around the island had everlasting life. 2) Lions that overrun the island are property of the state not to be molested, touched, fed, pushed or even looked at very long, upon pain of death. 3) For a young man to prove his manhood he had to climb the highest mountain on the island, capture a seagull and feed it to the porpoises.

Came time for one fellow to prove himself; so he went up the mountain, captured the bird, and, was going down the narrow mountain path carrying it over his shoulder when he came across a lion. Now he knows the rules; he cannot push it nor do anything to disturb it, but it was getting late...how was he going to get down?

He figured that if he went back up the path far enough he could take a running jump and without having to touch or push the lion in any way he could clear it and be on his way. So he went back far enough, made the jump, cleared it entirely as planned, and landed right at the feet of the chief magistrate who hauled him off to jail immediately. The charge: Transporting a Gull across a State Lion for Immortal Porpoises!

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Dear Editor,

As Joe Boling reminded us with his annual advice on how to prepare for Summer Seminar, it is upon us. Has anyone discussed a mini-seminar at the Colorado Coin Show?

Warner Talso

Dear Editor,

On your Show Calendar under Future Conventions, there is a listing for ANA National Money Show in Atlanta, GA Oct 17-19, 2013. The ANA recently announced that they will discontinue the Fall National Money Show following the Dallas 2012 Fall NMS.

Thanks,

John Phipps

[The note, in my opinion, grades out as an About Fine, with a heavy vertical fold, rounded corners and edge nicks, some of which go into the design. There is some staining, but overall, the note is very collectible and a significant find Ed.]

Dear Editor:

I recently picked up an interesting and significant WWII era Philippine note that I thought many collectors would like to see. It is a P-92c 1941 10 Peso Aviator note. The significance of the note is its serial number - E890000E making it both the last Aviator note and the last note of the series. A scan of the note is attached.

Logan Talks

[The note, in my opinion, grades Abt Fine, with a heavy verticle fold, rounded cornes and edge nicks some of which enter he design. There is some staining, but the note is very collectible and a significant find - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

A note for Neil:

Enjoy the new Ms. Maddox.

David Klinger
2klinger@cox.net

Dear Editor,

Just for the record/archives, I made a mistakeHans Walter was at Northfield Mount Hermon (MA) in 2010. I gave you the wrong year in the email.

Danny Spungen

Dear Editor,

Is anyone going to the Tuesday ANA dinner August 7, 2012?

Dave & Judy Seelye

Dear Esteemed Editor,

Search on eBay for "CBI Short Snorter" and you will see an amazing number (66) in two rolls!

The Master Sergeant Daniel

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NEWS FLASH

It has been an exciting week at the Summer Seminar of the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs. The main military classes are in week two, but there has been significant activity in military numismatics this week. Joe Boling taught his famous counterfeit detection class and Fred was in attendance for the second half of the week to stir up activity.

Classes ended Thursday and the traditional closing banquet followed. After the usual graduation and appreciation certificates were presented the main award of the week was made.

For the eighth time an honorary doctorate of numismatics was awarded. This award is reserved to honor numismatists who use their extensive

knowledge to teach. The recipient Thursday has taught for fourteen consecutive years at the Summer Seminar. Next week he will teach his twelfth consecutive military numismatics seminar. The combination of basic and advanced classes makes more than 20 military classes. Add the other classes and the recipient has taught more than 30 classes at the Summer Seminar.

On Thursday evening, the newly appointed ANA executive director Jeff Shevlin presented the eighth honorary doctor of numismatics to Joseph E. Boling.

Full text of the citation as read by Director Shevlin at the ceremony:

Honorary Doctorate Citation
Joseph E. Boling

The number 8 has a special meaning for some people. It is, after all, a graceful number with particular relevance to the Bible, the Koran, numerologists, the Chinese, the Greeks and, Im told, Joe Boling although we can only speculate as to why.

It could be that there are 8 virtues in Karate and Kung fu. Or that, according to Buddhist beliefs, there are 8 parts on the path to nirvana. Maybe its because 8 is the largest cube in the Fibonacci Sequence or that its simply elegant and beautiful when straight up, but when you lay it down it means infinity in mathematics and in life. It could even be that in the year 8 AD the altar to peace (Ara Pacis) was erected by Augustus. Only Joe knows why he always purchases the 8th official medal set struck for the ANA Worlds Fair of Money. Or why he painstakingly examined every possible piece of commemorative scrip created by his teaching mate Fred Schwan for the Casino Night at the Atlanta National Money Show in 2006. Of course, no one was surprised when he requested the eighth signed edition of Arthur Friedbergs book at the Boston Worlds Fair of Money. Of course, Joe is about more than numbers. But he could probably still tell you that he has taught at 14 consecutive Summer Seminars, spending 392 hours in class. Or that when he lived in Seattle he commuted 19,628 miles to teach at Summer Seminar, but just 14,966 since moving to Indianapolis.

While at Summer Seminar, we also assume he has slept an average of 5 hours and 16 minutes a night.

But whos counting?

Only Joe knows, without looking it up, exactly how many students he has taught in his Military Payment Certificate, Exhibit Judging and Detection of Counterfeit World Paper Money classes. He is, after all, a numbers guy and, we might add, a very dedicated and effective instructor.

Some may also see a certain irony in the fact that ANA Life Member 2888 is about to become the 8th recipient of an honorary doctorate since the program was re-established at the 40th anniversary Summer Seminar in 2008. And since 8 is the base of the octal number system used mostly in computers, well assume that Joes mind can digitally sequence the odds of this happening.

Joseph E. Boling, we honor your dedication and commitment to the ANA Summer Seminar. You have made momentous contributions in helping the ANA fulfill its Congressional mandate to advance the knowledge of

numismatics, and you have done so with the utmost devotion and professionalism and always with the highest of ideals. It is with great pleasure, therefore, that the American Numismatic Association hereby confers upon you this day, June 28, 2012, the Degree of Doctor of Numismatics, honoris causa, with all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities which here and everywhere pertain to this degree. Joe, we also understand that a person wearing a lab coat often holds a Ph.D. And with this honorary doctorate, you can now wear that coat with pride.

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A five yuan note of the Bank of China was over printed in English and Chinese for use in Hong Kong. What was the over printed denomination?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

ANSWER:

Where do we find the phrase Brigata Garibaldi?

Italian Partisan notes.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

It should come as no surprise that Joe Boling was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Numismatics Degree. Ever since I first introduced myself to him more than ten years ago, I could see his dedication to numismatics and his willingness to share his knowledge and expertise in many areas. I have the opportunity to meet with him a number of times annually at various shows and venues. I have also had the pleasure of attending a number of his lectures and have benefited from his knowledge. He is always in demand and can rarely walk across a bourse floor or out of a meeting without being stopped and asked for his opinion on a variety of numismatics subjects. He is always willing to look at a note, offer an opinion or answer whatever question is posed. His expertise is sought to edit manuscripts, books and articles. This honor had been earned by many, many years of research and hard work and is well deserved. I consider myself fortunate to know and work with him. Now if I only learn how to read his writing.

Congratulations Joe!!

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Mail Call: SEND MAIL to: MPCGram@yahoo.com and to VIEW PICTURES go to:<http://photos.papermoneyworld.net>

Dear Editor,

Lots going into the YN auction next Wednesday of potential interest to gramsters. Send your email or phone bids to joeboling@aol.com or 317-508-6786 before 1800 MDT on Independence Day.

USS (United Seamans Service) Pusan, \$3 chit book, complete, consisting of 4x5 5c chits, 2x5 10c chits and 1x4 25c chits.

Two light card envelopes for storing United States war bonds, distributed by Chicago Bridge and Iron Co, Greenville, Penna (go figure). Places to enter name and address of owner, and dates of purchase of bonds, all blank. Pencil numerals "9" and "10" written on the two envelopes.

Lot of 111 world notes, almost all WWII or earlier, including three Australian KGVI 10/ notes (two in clean fine), \$9 face in Canadian notes (including a KGVI \$1 bill), 14 AMC franc notes (2-10 francs), 11 AMC mark notes (half and one mark), an entry ticket to the Nazi party congress in Nuremberg, 8 Sept 1938, India KGVI rupee in VF (slight foxing), 8 AM lire notes (1-10 lire), Philippine series 66 1 peso short snorter.

Joe Boling

Dear Joe (in Colorado Springs)

We keep hearing about the fires out in Colorado - are you seeing evidence of these?

Dan and Kathy Freeland

Dear Dan and Kathy,

You can see the fires from the Moonlight Lounge, and the campus is pretty smoky. Not a drop of rain since arriving. The first two days no homes had been lost, but now many have been. Large areas are evacuated, US-24 west is closed, and students who had been living off-campus in that area have been kicked out of their hotels and moved onto campus (no hotel rooms available from here to Denver).

Joe

Dear Editor,

Am sending a quote from Joe Boling, in response to a fretful wife and daughter, sent 2 AM, 6/29:

The fires are west of I-25 and the river (creek) that runs parallel to it. They are visible from the campus, and there is a lot of smoke on campus. Some asthmatics have been affected. There are presently no plans to cancel week 2 of seminar. One instructor and a handful of students for next week have cancelled. Obama is reported to be due in on Friday for a photo-op, potentially shutting down air traffic for people trying to depart that day. I would expect he would be decamped by Saturday when [second week attendees] are coming in.

If you go to Google maps and put in the ANA address, you can see where ANA and the college are in relation to I-25.

Louise Boling

Dear Editor,

Souvenir notes for the 2nd Canadian MPC Mini-Fest have been produced. Distribution will occur on Saturday afternoon July 21 at the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association annual convention.

Production is as follows:

4 Printers proofs of overprint on white paper

3 \$10 Series 091 Specimens s/n C0000A

2 \$15 Series 091 Specimens s/n C0000A

20 \$10 Series 091 s/n C0001A to C0019A (there were two s/n C0014A printed)

20 \$15 Series 091 s/n C0020A to C0039A

3 \$15 Series 091 s/n C0001* to C0003*

CA block letters chosen for Calgary, Alberta.

Quality concerns with overprint were experienced, some are off level by a fair amount.

All of the Series 091 notes overprinted were endorsed for redemption.

As shown in one of the attached two scans there were two Series 091 issued with s/n X14Z. It seemed appropriate to overprint them with s/n C14A...

Plan for these two notes plus one printer's proof is to donate them to the ANA Summer Seminar YN (Young Numismatist) auction, second session. This auction will be held on Thursday evening July 5 in Colorado Spring, Colorado.

Numismatically yours,

Brett Irick

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Series 13, No. 2134 Monday, 2 July 2012

Seagoville,

By Larry Smulczenski and Jim Aitken

One of my favorite Country and Western songs is Waylon and Willie singing "On the Road Again" and that is what Jim and I experienced on our recent trip to the Memphis Paper Money Show. Jim Aitken flew into Austin from Seattle on Monday evening and we spent that evening and all day Tuesday looking at notes, talking about notes and imagining what notes we were going to find and buy at the show. Wednesday morning we packed our books and bags in the car bright and early, and hit the road. Our plans were to get to Dallas before noon, and see if we could find where the Seagoville Japanese Internment Camp was located. Onstar took us right to the center of town which is located southeast of Dallas and just south of Interstate 20 on Highway 175. We first saw the Federal Correctional Institution on the west side of the highway and knew that was the site of the internment camp but we sure didn't want to go knocking on any doors there so we proceeded a little farther down the road to the Seagoville Library. There, a pleasant young lady asked if she could help us and we went into our spell of our interest in the Japanese Internment camp. "Oh yes," she replied, "We have a notebook of information about that subject back here on the shelf that I will get for you." Jim and I looked at one another, we smiled and you could tell that we knew we were in the right place. However, the young lady came back in about five minutes and said that she simply cannot find that notebook. Suddenly a voice comes from a partition across the room--"If your looking for the notebook on the Japanese Internment Camp, it is here on my desk." From her own little cubicle came Liz Gant, the Library Director with the notebook in which we were interested. It proved to be a very interesting book confirming many things we had read or heard about the camp plus adding a number of facts that we had not previously heard. Ms. Gant was a joy to listen to as she has been the Seagoville Librarian for the past twenty years and had a personal interest in the camp. During that time, Seagoville had marked the 50th and 60th Anniversary of the Internment Camp. In the notebook were programs, from those anniversaries that pictured the camp during the forties and compared it to present day of publication. There were

interesting historical details and named the various officials and work force at the camp. Ms. Gant was fortunate to have visited the camp during one of the anniversaries and had taken pictures of some of the original buildings, which she shared with us. She also knew about the Seagoville tokens, had a picture of one that she copied from eBay, but physically did not have any. Jim and I showed her Dave's Web site that pictures all three tokens and she was very appreciative.

The facility at Seagoville was actually built starting in 1938 and completed in 1940 as the Federal Women's Reformatory in Seagoville, Texas. Prior to its opening, there was only one other Federal Women's prison in the United States, that in West Virginia. In March of 1942, the mission of Seagoville changed from holding convicted criminals to that of interning whole families of alien non-combatants. Not only were these Japanese but also German and Italians, mostly from South American countries. The Japanese were mainly from Peru. The Germans and Italians were housed in the original permanent buildings while 90 hastily constructed huts were provided for the Japanese families. During the war years, some of these Japanese families were sent back to Japan, not Peru where they had immigrated, in exchange for U.S.civilians that were incarcerated in places behind enemy lines. One of the families actually had a child in the camp at Seagoville and then was exported to Japan with the child which legally was a U.S. citizen. It was interesting to see the circuitous route that they traveled back to Japan--from Seagoville to New York to Rio De Janero, Brazil to Montevideo, Uruguay to Cape Town, South Africa to Goa, India to Singapore to Manila, Philippines and finally Yokohama, Japan. The young lady, returned to the states after the war, attended college, and currently lives in Dallas.

After the war the mission of this facility changed several times, first as a minimum security facility for male prisoners, to a Youth Correction Facility, to a Federal Prison Camp and finally to a Federal Correctional Institution with an adjacent Federal Detention Center for those awaiting trial. Jim and I drove to the Institution and saw the Institution from the adjacent road and parking lot, but we sure didn't want to "visit" inside. We were able to pick out what we believed to be the older buildings and a few other landmarks that we saw pictures of back at the library. It was very difficult identifying a number of the buildings because of the large amount of coiled razor tape that surrounded the compound. One interesting item was the large metal weather vane that adorned the roof of the auditorium. We had previously heard that it was crafted by a German metal smith during his internment and mounted on that roof. Imagine what it has seen during the past seventy years!

We left Seagoville and headed up Interstate 30 toward Little Rock. Both of us were excited about what we had seen and learned during our first day "On the Road". We will tell you more about the rest of our trip in a future Gram. Roger has given you a good overview of the Memphis show but we would like to tell a little more from our prospective; then the trip home. Till then....

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TWIRR # 84

Supreme Court Announces Decision
by Fred Schwan

As many of you have heard, the United States Supreme Court handed down a very important decision on Thursday. I I have been watching this case very carefully as I am sure that many of you have.

I am equally sure that you are aware of how important this decision was to many Gramsters and other collectors too. There are many interesting aspects to the case and speculation before the announcement varied widely, but no one thought that it was not important.

On Thursday, the United States Supreme Court struck down, found unconstitutional, threw out the Stolen Valor Act. One of the many implications of this decision concerns the sale among collectors of Medals of Honor and other decorations, but the exact situation concerning sales is not clear. Before the Stolen Valor Act it was not legal to sell a Medal of Honor, but it was legal to trade them. Many dealers and collectors constructed a sham trade to cover a sale. Sham or not the system had gone on for years. I have been thinking about this and believe that I have a new solution. Instead of a sham trade involving a cancelled postage stamp for example, one collector could rent the MOH to another. A lease for 500 years might cost \$1500. Further subleases would be allowed.

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One more on over prints: On what note will you find the over print BONZAI?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER:

Overprint denomination: \$5,000,000 Yuan Dollars (English) same (Chinese) [face]

\$5,000,000 Yuan Dollars (English) [back]

1936 Bank of China 5 Yuan

Note:

There are three different signature varieties on these notes.

John Cheney

ANSWER:

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT/\$5/FIVE DOLLARS

Myers

[The answer I was looking for is the note SB1554 pictured on page 217 of Remembered. Other over printed notes are on the following two pages. I should have been more specific in asking the question Ed.]

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EDITORIAL

Today's feature makes me wonder if the radio in Larry's car can plan anything but country and western music. I tend to doubt it since I think those are the only stations you can get between Texas and Missouri. Now don't get me wrong, country and western music is fine; I'll listen to it occasionally, well, not very often, but like I said, it's okay. Jim had mentioned that he and Larry were planning this adventure on the way to Memphis. It also fits right in with the ongoing research on the chits used at various camps during World War II. They were able to get quite a bit of the history and a first hand look at the camp as it is today. (I would have toured the jail). Jim has a list of camps he has visited and another list of camps he would like to see. That's a great plan and hopefully he can get to all the ones on his list. There are a lot of camps throughout the country, and perhaps one is near where you live. There is one near me and Jim and Larry's trip has gotten me interested in doing a little research.

I never asked Jim if he liked country and western music.

And from Neil

I used to be a lumberjack but found I couldn't hack it so they gave me the axe. Then I went to work in a blanket factory but it folded

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Dear Editor.

The sender, Stephen Bobbitt, is the husband of Barbara Gregory, editor of The Numismatist.

The largest mountain, seen at the right center in most shots, is Pike's Peak. As the fire moved, the shooting location also changed occasionally. The highway at bottom (visible as lights passing at night) is I25, south to the left.

Joe

Five Day Timelapse Waldo Canyon Fire June 23-28 - YouTube
Here is a very nice video of the first five days of the Waldo Canyon fire. We are fine and only suffered from smoke. 350 homes destroyed, two dead and it's still burning, but 25% contained. Ute Pass still closed and still many evacuees, including the one at our house. The video is taken from north of the Air Force Academy.

Steve Bobbitt

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZBA7eHY022k>

Dear Editor,

Our July 12th Auction is now online although. The sale can be seen at:
<http://rosenblumcoins.com/42F>

Highlights of the sale can be seen at
<http://rosenblumcoins.com/42f#highlights> but suffice it to say this auction has one of the best offerings ever of World War II material, especially Concentration Camp, Internment Camp and D.P. Camp Money. We could list them here but I'm sure most of you are like me and don't want to read long emails.

If you have questions please ask them earlier rather than near the close of the sale when we are busy. We will be in our office most of the time between now and the close of the sale except for June 28th through July 1st.

Please note that the best number to reach us is 720-981-0785 except when we are away from the office. Then our 303-910-8245 is best.

Best Regards,
Bill Rosenblum

Dear Editor,

A correction for Brett's notice about the YN auction this week, where some of the RCNA minifest notes will be sold: the auction is 4 July, Wednesday, not the following night (which is when the graduation banquet will be held). Unless you have made other arrangements, send bids for Brett's lots to the same addresses mentioned in today's gram. Describe the lots you are bidding on by their contents, since we don't have lot numbers yet, and probably won't until Tuesday.

ADDITIONAL LOTS:

Unclaimed pay envelope, AFC notes for the Seminar XII theater of operations;

Envelope diverted from the local document destruction contractor;
Sweepings from floor of Great Lakes Banknote Co. Contents unknown.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

I recently received this contact from Mr.Fred Schwan, and would be grateful if you would add me to your email list, for military/prisoner related banknote updates.

Kind regards,

Mr.Carl Barwise

[Dear Carl, welcome to the Gram; you email address has been added to our subscriber list. Please feel free to comment on any phase of military numismatics - Ed.]

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Picture Post Card ...large circular portrait of Hitler in black & white Red 20 haleru Czech postage stamp with violet "Wie Sind Frei/swastika", canceled Oct 5, 1938 Alt-Habendorf-Sudetengau, unaddressed. Item #91 of "Manner ber Zeit" series of post cards. A few old hinge residue at edges. \$35.00 postpaid. (Bohemia & Moravia for reference)

Note: These overprints exist on Czech postage and I believe revenue stamps also and checking with the current editor of Scotts stamp catalogues are not listed, just mentioned as they are considered local and not provisional, I would call these very political as they were issued as the German forces swept across the country. Very scarce item. A while back it was suggested to list stamps in WW II Remembered. Well this is just one good example of non-Scott listed material. Another is NSDAP revenue stamps... just type in Germany revenue on eBay for just a sampling of how the war was partially financed with taxes on almost everything.
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Trip to Colorado Springs

by Fred Schwan

While Colorado Springs was burning, well, getting covered by smoke, I was heading west listening to World War II history books and looking for adventure along the highway. You will hear much about the books as I file these reports, but my first important stop was in St. Louis as you have heard.

I contacted Dave Frank about meeting at the Overlord shop or elsewhere. He reported that work was no problem, but that he had planned on going home for a quickie. Still, he arrived rather, er, quickly so all was well.

Yes, I found a few treasures at the Overlord shop. It is a really great place. One of the best militaria shops in the country. Certainly, I have not been to all of them, but I have been to many and this is a really great place. However, you really do not want to go there. It would be waste of your time. Just leave the stuff there for me.

True, it is a bit of a black hole, but I am not afraid of black holes.

Without further introduction, I will go through my little treasure pile.

First I have a ca 1915 French 2 franc coin. It is a partially completed trench art ring. Cool.

Next is a small group of Mare Island Navy Yard bus tickets from the war years. It might be hard to justify buying these, but I just like them. It is hard to call a bus ticket a numismatic item, but it is close. Tickets certainly are stores of value and they are even occasionally exchanged for something else of value. Sometimes during the war tickets (think especially sports tickets) have patriotic slogans and promote war bond sales. Anyway, I like them. I have a few extra tickets if anyone is interested (not likely to find takers as crazy as I!)

The Overlord shop has a better selection of pocket guides than any retail establishment in the country. That is a good match with the biggest buyer of pocket guides in the US (world?). I bought three of them.

First, SAIPAN published by 2nd Marine Division. This is a local book rather than a national (War Department) book. It is the worst condition book that I have ever purchased, still I like it.

Next is a pocket guide (but not called that) for Nansei Shoto--Okinawa. I actually have one (or possibly more) of this one, but the price was right to I could not resist. The third one is War Department Pamphlet 21-15. It is a national product. I have not seen this one before. The title is "You Don't Think It Can Ever Happen to You". It is about VD treatment and prevention. Even I cannot come up with a good numismatic connection, but I had to have it. It does have some interesting art that might make it into an article or book in the future.

War Department Form No. 77 dated March 26, 1942 is an Officer's Pay Data Card. I had not seen one of these before, so I took it home. There is not to much of interest on the card but it is made out to second lieutenant who was making \$125 a month. That actually sounds high.

Next I have two war time navy pay receipts. I thought that the editor might like one of these.

I do not remember buying this next group nor even why. It is a group of four draft cards for one individual. Probably I bought it because the group also has a card issued by the American Red Cross certifying that the fellow completed the standard first aid class.

There is a nice postcard thanking Thomas Carter for contributing philatelic material as a way "in cheering the boys in our Army and Navy Hospitals." The card was sent by the National Collection Director and National Chairman of whatever the organization is.

The best item is a 10 cent merchandise chit. As soon as I saw that it was for A.R.C. Staff Club (American Red Cross), I knew that I wanted it, put it in the pile and purchased it.

It was only at the exotic hot dog stand that Dave took me to that we noticed that this ARC chit was for Guam! Now I know that I like it.

That rounds out my military purchases at the Overlord shop. Remember, do not waste your time going there.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

A number of Japanese coins bear the image of a flower. What is the flower?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

One more on over prints: On what note will you find the over print BONZAI?

ANSWER:

The Phillipine 5 Peso 1943 and the 10 Peso 1943 (Japanese Invasion Money) were overprinted in red "BANZAI" on the reverse.

Listed as PI 110a and PI 111a.

Also an additional propaganda overprint under or over the BANZAI on some of the 10 Peso notes reads: "Asia's savage rapist, what gain did you obtain?" This overprint is black.

John Cheney

ANSWER:

It is a fantasy overprint on Philippine JIM, printed in Chinese and English. It is on a a 10 peso note in WWII Remembered. I believe there are modern versions of the Bonzai stamp on notes as well.

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The Overload Shop sound like an interesting place and I would not heed Fred's advice about not going there. He found a few very interesting items there. I guess I am as crazy as he is, well maybe not as crazy, but I would like to have a copy of one or two of the Mare Island NavyYard bus tickets. I have a small collection of such items, and as a Navy vet I am always interested in things Navy, especially if they are related to world War II. The Navy pay receipts would also fit nicely into my collection. Thanks Fred for offering them.

Now I don't know if we need the whole tour of "You Don't Think It Can Ever Happen to You", but if you think about it hard enough you will come up with a connection between currency and the subject matter of the book.

The exotic hot dog stand in St. Louis sounds like a must. New York is famous for Nathan's hot dogs and each year at this time, the City holds a hot dog eating contest and 40,000 are expected to attend to watch the contestants gobble down as many hot dogs as they can in ten minutes.

In addition to indigestion, the winner get s mustard colored belt as proof of his/her eating prowess.

Anyway, have a happy fourth and enjoy the picnic/barbecue or whatever event you are planning to help celebrate our 236th birthday!

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Dear Editor,

In my recent catalog of MPCs I did discuss in some detail estimated populations for the various unissued varieties of MPCs, i.e., Series 651 fractionals and all collectible Series 691 and 701 notes. I also did quote Douglas Bell's totals for the scarcer MPCs, but his data are clearly incomplete. I feel that I can state with certainty that the eight rarest varieties of normally issued MPCs include five of the \$5 notes (Series 471, 472, 521, 541, and 591) and three of the \$10 notes (Series 541, 591, and 661). My estimates for the total populations of these are as follows:

\$5: 471 250 472 400 521 350 541 150 591 200 \$10 541 325 591 350 661 400

These totals would include both normal and replacement notes. In his census Douglas Bell lists a somewhat lower total for the Series 591 \$5 note than he does for the Series 541 \$5, but auction sales data would indicate otherwise. In gem CU condition Series 471 is the rarest of the \$5 MPCs, but this ceases to be true when circulated notes are taken into account. As I indicated in one recent MPC Gram, for \$10 notes Series 541 and 591 are very close as to which is the rarest. Note that these are my "guestimates" only, but if you own any of these notes with unrecorded numbers please send in the serials together with sheet position nos. and grades. I feel that all other varieties of normally issued MPCs do exist in quantities that exceed 500 each. For the very most common MPCs such as the 5c, 10c, and \$1 values of Series 641, I expect that the totals of survivors will exceed 10,000 or more each, but complete census data will not be available due to very wide dispersal among large umbers of non-collectors.

There can be spacing problems when blank spaces are used on emails, but please check to see that my estimates for these eight varieties are presented in a legible fashion. Thanks a lot!

C. R. Chambliss

Dear Editor,

You were explicit enough. You said a note of the Bank of China overprinted for use in Hong Kong. The only note that fits is the \$1 SB1554. Bill Myers gave the note SB1562, which was overprinted on a note of the Central Bank of China (and could have given SB1563, overprinted on the same bank). I don't know what note John Cheney was reporting.

On the additional lots for the YN auction, the unclaimed pay envelope has been submitted. The battalion clerk confiscated the envelope of floor sweepings from the GLBNC. Brett Irick is here for the week two seminar, so he may be accepting bids himself for the RCNA minifest notes.

Joe Boling

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Travels with Larry and Jim,

by Larry Smulczenski

Jim and I left Little Rock bright and early Thursday morning en-route to Memphis. We arrived at the the Marriott just after 11 AM and since it was too early for the rooms to be ready and nobody we knew was in the lobby, we headed over to the Convention Center. That is where everyone was, standing around waiting for the bourse floor to open at 12 o'clock noon. Every seat at the Auction Lot viewing was occupied so we stood around chatting with folks. Just like all previous Memphis shows, it felt like we were home again.

Later in the day when things settled down, we sat down and looked at the auction lots. And I must say, what a spectacular array of notes were available to bid on. The Greg Pineda Philippine Collection which was to be auctioned on Sunday simply watered my eyes. Many of you know that my last assignment in the Air Force was in the Philippines and I actively attended the PNAS (Philippine Numismatic and Antiquarian Society) Meetings and Shows in Manila each month. I got to know many of the prominent collectors there and viewed some very wonderful collections. But I was blown away by the breath and depth of the Pineda collection. I had never seen the vividly colored Banco Espanol notes that were to open the auction. The condition of the entire collection also amazed me. Having lived in that part of the world for four years I was well aware of how heat, humidity, insects, etc. took their toll on collectibles. I personally was not interested in those little fabricated round metal discs that were also in the collection, but knew from leafing through the catalog that there were a huge number of very power items there also.

For me, this has to be considered a "39" show, not the 39th that I have attended since this is only the 36th Memphis Annual show and I did miss one while I was stationed in the Philippines. But I do have the craze of collecting notes that have the serial number or position number 39, to match my eternal age. I knew that the series 541, five dollar position number 39 would be waiting for me at Memphis. Tim Kyzivat had called to tell me that he had found this jewel and would bring it to Memphis. It is a real tough note in a very nice VF condition and leaves me with three needed, the 50c and \$5 series 591 and the \$10 series 661 to complete the basic set of MPC with position number 39. Then came Pam West with six, count them, six uncirculated notes, all with serial number 39. There were two from the Dominican Republic, one each from India and New Guinea, and two really beautiful notes, one from Northern Ireland the other from Jersey. The Northern Ireland note is a 20 pound note (P-199b) picturing H. Ferguson (first man to fly an airplane in Ireland) issued by the Northern bank of Belfast with a gradually increasing in size serial number of CA0000039. The Jersey note is a five pound note picturing the queen (P-12a) from the late 1970's with SN FB000039. Mike Crabb also said he had something I might be interested in. When I got around to finally getting over to Mike's table he sure enough had something for me. It was a Canadian note with the queen from the sixties with serial number 39 plus a U.S. \$5 bill, series 2006 with SN 39939339. This note was listed on the holder as a binary. Maybe so, as there were only two different numbers but I call it a radar because in my collecting world the 39 is an entity - so if you consider the 39 as 1, the reverse 93 as 2, looking closely at the serial number you have 1-2-2-1.-- a radar. Fester Bruce Potter from Oklahoma came to Dave Seelye's table with some notes that he was selling. Dave said, "Look at this note, you have to have it". There was a 10 Peso note with serial number-Star3900. Dave was right, I had to have it. Finally, I went to the U.S. note auction Thursday night because Lot 19 was a Premium Federal Reserve Set, Series 2003 of \$2 bills packaged in a green leather album by the BEP all 12 notes replacements with serial number 00000390*. Of course the prefix letter was the A thru the L for the 12 districts. I got those too. Any wonder why I said this was a "39" show for me? Sincere thanks to all those that helped.

Friday and Saturday passed quickly and I hardly got farther than two or three aisles from Dave Seelye's table. There was always somebody to talk with or something to see. Amazing how time flies when your having fun. Sunday was upon us before we knew it. We were excited about the afternoon auction of Greg Pineda's Philippine collection. Three o'clock was quickly upon us and there were an unusually large attendance in the room. There were five notes in the auction that I needed in my collection. I realized that two probably beyond my means but I felt I had a chance for the other three. All were notes that were WWII related. The first nine lots, all were hammered for prices in the four or five figure range. This was expected as the first lot was a framed presentation set featuring uniface specimens, face and back, of the first three values of the 1903 Silver Certificates which sold for \$32,000. Following were very rare Banco Espanol notes that sold near their estimates. Surprising six of the next seven lots did not sell possibly because they were attributed as remainders and not listed in catalogs. It wasn't long before we were into the Bureau of Engraving issues. Prices escalated into the pre-auction

estimate range with some exceeding the high estimate, others greatly exceeding that estimate. As an example a CU 5 Peso 1918 Treasury Certificate replacement went for \$13000 on a \$4000 high estimate while a regular issue 50 Peso from the same series reached \$14000 on a \$4000 high estimate. About two hours into the auction, we approached the first lot I was interested in for my collection. It was the 10 Peso 1941 Treasury note that was processed by the Bureau of Standards for use by guerrilla forces. The estimate range on it was 3500 to 7000. It actually opened in the mid 2000's and I got in a number of bids before it rapidly passed 7000, then 10000, 15000 and finally sold to a floor bidder for \$20000 plus juice. Needless to say I was left in the dust. I collected myself for the next battle. This was a 500 Peso victory note that had an estimate of 5000 to 10000. The bidding on this one quickly went by that estimate and sold to another floor bidder for \$22000 plus juice. Another 500 Peso that I considered as an upgrade also bounded past its estimate and sold for \$12000. Three lots later, a Specimen booklet containing the first seven notes in the Victory Series (no 500P) was offered. I got into a heated bidding war with a Knight Live bidder and gave up as the under bidder. It went for \$11000 plus juice. Afterwards, with bidders remorse, I chastised myself for not going another increment but then questioned--would that have been the end of it? Probably not. There was one other note that I considered but was one that I felt was beyond my means. Finally I was right--it was well above me. This 500 Peso Central Bank overprint on a Victory note reached \$30000 plus juice, The banknote portion of the auction ended shortly thereafter. I left the auction room like a beat puppy with my tail between my legs. All I can tell you after that rough day, was that the ribs somewhat eased the pain and still tasted great at the Blues Cafe.

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Our Auction 42F closes one week from today on July 12, 2012 at 9 PM Mountain Time. The auction can be seen in it's entirety at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/42F>. Highlights of the sale are noted at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/42f#highlights>. We believe that all images are now correct on our site.

There is still time for you to place your bids, check your bids, inquire about strategy, ask for digital photographs and ask further questions about the lots. We will be available by phone, fax and email most waking hours between now and the end of the sale. Many lots have strong bids with lots of competition while other lots have seen little or no action.

We hope to hear from you shortly. Next week as the sale nears the end we may difficulty answering all your questions or fulfilling your photographic requests.

Bill Rosenblum

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

The Fourth Edition of Fred's MPC book refers to "The amazing invert". What is the series and denomination of the note?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

A number of Japanese coins bear the image of a flower. What is the flower?

ANSWER:

The answer to the question is Chrysanthemums

Steve Jinks

ANSWER:

Chrysanthemum

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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In an earlier Gram I had mentioned a Winterhilfswerk piece I found while on an antiquing trip with my wife. Actually, it was she who pointed the piece, along with a Spanish Civil War piece, out to me. I did a little looking but was not able to properly identify the piece and perhaps one of our readers will be able to provide a little help.

The piece is aluminum about 25 mm in diameter and has a smooth edge. The obverse shows a swastika over which are two hands, a left and a right. The left hand, above, holds a sheaf of wheat while the right hand, below, holds a bowl. The legend reads "Wir" on the top rim and "helfin" on the bottom rim. My translator reads that as

"We help". The piece has a medallion reverse on which the central image is the German eagle holding a swastika in its talons. The legend above the eagle reads "Winterhilfswerk" while the legend below reads "n.d.s.a.p gau Wien". The legend indicates the Nationalist Socialist Party for the district of Vienna. The denomination, "1 S". for one schilling appears on either side of the swastika. Remembered, as our readers know, lists a number of paper WHW issues, but I saw no reference to any coins, although there is the statement "It is very likely that other issues were also created". There is no date on the piece and no reference to war (kriege), so I am guessing this is a pre war piece issued for use in Austria possibly after the Anschluss in 1938. The piece is interesting and quite possibly one of a number of different values issued/used. Anyone with information is encouraged to send it into the Gram for publication. We can offer a free extended subscription for any assistance received.

And..

I don't have to tell you who sent this in do I?

Our CIA gets involved with world affairs, sometimes quite deeply. For example, when Juan Peron of Argentina ran into some political difficulties at home, the CIA stepped in and took him to D.C., put him up for 2 weeks in an apartment and paid all his bills and travel costs. As things cooled off in Argentina they were able to send him back without problem. A few years later President Thieu of South Vietnam encountered

similar difficulties, and once more the CIA took care of him for 2 weeks, putting him up, as it happened, in the same apartment they had used before. When things got better for him they also sent him back to SVN. As they went through these episodes, comparing notes and total expenses, they found to their amazement that Thieu could live as cheaply as Juan!

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Dear Editor,

To any one interested in this topic, please check out The Emergence of Jewish Ghettos During the Holocaust by Dan Michman, C2011.

James Edwards

[The book is available on Amazon - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I have the Banzai overprint on a 1 Peso Philippine JIM (at least I think it's a 1 P. I'm not sure, I'm in Colorado being indoctrinated by Fred & Joe). It may or may not be a fantasy. You must find a Banzai with a Japanese War Claimant's stamp. Then examine them both & see which is on top & which is on the bottom. If the War Claimants stamp is on the top, it does not disprove that the Banzai stamp is a fantasy but it dates it back to at least the early 60s (of course, I am assuming that the WC stamp is also not a modern copy). I have done this with other overprints on JIMs & have found the WC stamp to be on top of the overprint.

Recently, many new overprints have been coming out of the Philippines (e.g. Asia's Butchers, etc., etc.). Many of these are typed while other are stamped. I definitely believe that these are modern-day fantasies made for the eBay market. The Banzai, XXXXXXXX Philippines, FAC, etc. have been around before eBay & even before the internet. So, many of them could be 1940s overprints.

Ken Berger

Dear Editor,

I think I must be nuts. And no one in my family would understand. But I very much enjoy your MPC Gram. Thanks a lot.

Bill Leslie

[Dear Bill - Thanks for the kind words; yes, you do need to be a little crazy - but we all are in some degree or another - it's catching - Ed.]

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I was recruited by Greg Capps at Black Mountain Coins to speak at the July 9th evening meeting of the Asheville Coin Club while at the 2012 FUN Show. I accepted a few months later when I saw a hole in my schedule. After learning I am VN War veteran and will speak about Ho Chi Minh Trail Military Commodity Coupons, Greg notified the veteran organizations in the area so I am expecting to see many of them at the meeting. I might mention the MPC Gram and Fest, but I might have to be pressured.

My trip will be from my McLean, VA condo this coming Sunday to I-66 West; I-81 South and stopping at Christiansburg, VA. An old Laos hand friend of mine, George Dalley owns Dalley Book Service (www.DalleyBookService.com) and I will be dropping off some books about Indonesia and Singapore in excess of my needs for him to sell. I think one or more readers might find something in his inventory. Then I continue down I-81 South to I-40 West and then I-26 South to Asheville.

After Asheville, I will drive over to Greensboro, NC and will have lunch with Dr. Jon-Michael Bruce, the son of Colin Bruce. Yes, the one and only former cataloger at Krause Publications. This lunch will be on the 53rd Anniversary of my enlisting in the Army on July 10, 1959. After lunch I will drive to my Bay House in Deltaville, VA and drop off stuff, and bring more to the condo for my work there on several catalogs and assisting other numismatists.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

P.S. I just mailed in my Numismatic Ambassador ballot. There are a couple of people on the ballot I know many Gramsters will vote for but one I am requesting one of your votes before Mr Bui in Viet Nam. He kept numismatics alive under the early communist hardline government. Now that it is loosened, we are applying to the government to allow a Viet Nam Numismatic Society to be established, and we will be voting Mr. Bui to be its first president.

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank Keith and Sue Bauman for their donation to the 2013 military numismatics scholarship fund.

Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Feb 22-23 Possible Fest Date

Mar 1-2 Possible Fest Date

Mar 8-9 CPMX

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Apr 19-21 Michigan State Numismatic Society

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May 3-4 Possible Fest Date (Steve is this a conflict?)

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"Manner ber Zeit" series of post cards. A few old hinge residue at edges.
\$35.00 postpaid. (Bohemia & Moravia for reference)

Note: These overprints exist on Czech postage and I believe revenue
stamps also and checking with the current editor of Scotts stamp
catalogues are not listed, just mentioned as they are considered local
and not provisional, I would call these very political as they were
issued as the German forces swept across the country. Very scarce item.
A while back it was suggested to list stamps in WW II Remembered. Well
this is just one good example of non-Scott listed material. Another is
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2012 ANA Summer Seminar Session II

Military Numismatics Since 1930

Part 1

by Ken Berger

I bought my first MPC in January 1979. (Well, really, it was a complete series set of the \$1 notes in CU). I bought my first AMC in June 1988 and two years later (November 1990) I bought my first FTPC from Fred. I've been subscribing to the MPC since before 2 February 2001. The exact date I started receiving the GRAM, however, is lost to the annals of time. Thus, I have been collecting MPCs longer than many Gramsters. However, during all this time, the only military numismatic event I ever attended was a mini-Fest held in San Diego in September 2004. So, this year I applied for (& was awarded) the MPC Fest scholarship to attend the Military Numismatics Since 1930 course in Colorado Springs.

A few days before I arrived, the Waldo Canyon wildfire northwest of Colorado Springs had started. Thus, when I arrived (Saturday) the air quality was not the best. This, coupled with the high altitude, the hot weather, rough bed sheets, and lack of A/C in the dorm rooms, did not make for the best of living conditions. Of these five issues, only the air quality improved as the week progressed.

The next day, I finally got to meet Fred, after more than thirty years since I first communicated with him. Likewise, I got to meet Joe. Prior to this, I had only met some individuals at the San Diego minifest (such as Al Glaser, Doug Bell, Dave Klinger, etc.) and Roger Urce in NY and at the 2009 Los Angeles ANA Worlds Fair of Money. In addition, I met Neil Shafer for the first time at the Los Angeles ANA meeting, although I had also been in communication with him for a number of years prior. In Colorado, I also met the other participants of both the basic and the advanced course.

Fred was the primary instructor of the basic course, while Joe was the primary instructor of the advanced course. Watching these two teach was fascinating! Both are extremely knowledgeable in the field of military numismatics. However, their delivery styles are totally opposite. Fred is animated, loud, goes off on many tangents, and tells innumerable (and LONG) stories. Joe, on the other hand, is highly organized, stays on target, is definitely not animated, and is VERY low-key. In fact, to my knowledge, a word does not exist in English to adequately describe how low-key Joe actually is. In addition, Joe is much more technology savvy than Fred.

The course went from Sunday afternoon until Thursday afternoon, with both a morning and afternoon session. As is appropriate to their styles, Fred kept going on and on and on without any break until we basically started passing out from lack of food and water or a bathroom break. Joe, on the other hand, went by the book. As I said, their styles are completely different. They are like the Oscar Madison and Felix Unger (the Odd Couple) of military numismatics.

(to be continued)

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After Action Report: Summer Seminar

by Mike Buckley

Week One: When I arrived at Colorado Springs Airport I noticed a small stream of smoke in the mountains. The shuttle driver said it had been burning for two hours. It also was very hot. My first class was coin grading part one and it was work. The first three nights I also had Advanced Numismatic Negotiating. The first night it was so hot, I could not sleep so I wandered around until I found an air conditioned room and slept there. Sharing a bathroom at SS does not mean with a roommate. It meant the whole floor. To make things worse there was always an inch of water on the floor. The authorities told everyone to close their windows

and stay in air conditioning but we didn't have that option so we breathed smoke all week.

Week Two: It is a little cooler but I am so sleepy, I could sleep on a stove. My evening class was Numismatic Valuations and my day class was with our heroes Fred Schwan and Joe Boling. Fred's stories were worth the entire class plus I learned many other things. Joe showed us MPC glowing under a black light. I meet our Fester from down under Tony James and a guy from the Ukraine. The days went by fast listening to Fred, plus he never gave us breaks. Plus he announced we can expect a new updated edition of WWII in the near future (2020).

Actually, I learned a lot from the classes. And I also learned to get a room with air conditioning next time.

PS The food was great too. I probably gained 10 pounds.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

There are several French Indochina notes from Oceania with a postmark style overprint. What is the name of the location in the overprint?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

The Fourth Edition of Fred's MPC book refers to "The amazing invert". What is the series and denomination of the note?

ANSWER:

Series 611 \$5 note.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Take a look at Howard Daniel's suggestion about moving the advertisements. It has some merit and I am willing to give it a try. I think we need to have our advertisers send in a little blurb about what they are offering for sale or what they are looking for and we can make it a letter to the editor in addition to putting in an advertisement for the item. Eventually we will figure out how to get some images to go along with the articles and the ads. Charing for advertising, however, is not an option. We do not charge for the Gram and we never will ask for any fee or donation. It's a forum for military collectors to exchange ideas (and a place for Neil to tell his jokes!). Let us know what your thoughts are on the this subject. We are always looking for ways to make the Gram better.

Next, thanks to all who wrote in with information on the Winterhilfswerk token. I did some looking and found the Hyder and Colbert book on the Internet. It seems to feature Hitler medals along with the tokens. It also has a handsome price tag. I'll give the ANA Library a try to see if the book is available for loan to see if it lists all the known tokens on the subject. Bill Myers mentions another city/area, so it appears there were a number of different pieces issued. I also tried to find a copy of the TAMS Journal for February of 1976, but had no luck. I am not a member of TAMS and would ask if anyone out there can direct me to a copy of the issue mentioned it would be appreciated. My interest is finding out how many different pieces may have been issued. The Winterhilfswerk notes listed in Remembered are in reichmarks and these schilling pieces would fit in nicely with those notes.

And

What's the name given to an Egyptian bone specialist? He's known as a Cairo-practor, unlesshe's in de Nile.

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Dear Editor,

Reference your Winterhilfswerk 1 Schilling Token

Your token is listed as #66 in an article "Donation Tokens of the NSDAP" by William D. Hyder and R.W. Colbert, TAMS (Token and Medal Society) Journal February 1976 page 11.

According to the article these tokens were issued during the period 1935-1940 and were given to people who donated real money for Winter Help. There is one smaller (22MM) with the exact design for the district of Tirol. Also there are larger (40mm) for the Vienna district in the amounts of 2 schillings (aluminum), 5 schillings (copper), 10 schillings (silver-plated copper), 100 schillings (copper). There is even a mule of the 5 schilling and the 100 schilling made of copper. I hope this is of help and that you will extend my subscription. I have been collecting these donation items for over 40 years and was able to locate quite a few when I was stationed in Germany. Funny though most German dealers would question me as to why I would want them.

Best, Darrel Doll

Dear Editor,

I have the same Winterhilfswerk coin/token similar to the one you described in the gram. I got it from a mail order list probably 10+ yrs ago. Mine is like yours except it has Tirol under the eagle and is denominated 2 S. I have showed mine around to festers in the past and the consensus is that it was a premium for a donation to Winterhilfswerk. I would guess that there may be others with different Austrian areas on them. I bought another token with the Winterhilfswerk token. It is larger than the 2 S (30 mm) and is denominated as 1 shilling. The obverse has a left facing bust of Adolf Hitler and has Der Fuhrer des Deutschen Volkes (the leader of the German people). The reverse has NSDAP hitlerbewegung (Nazi Hitler movement)/1 Schilling Kampfspende (1 shilling campaign contribution). It also has muster gesch (business pattern) and Gau Steiermark (Styria district, a state in southeast Austria) on it with the eagle and swastika in the center. I assume it was a premium for donations to the Nazi party in Austria. I used google translate for this so someone may have a different translation for the German.

Bill Myers

Dear Editor,

I had mentioned these to the manager of the PC Black Hole ages ago

For more information just google on winterhilfswerk token

Cheers,

Colin Bruce

Dear Editor,

You can call the chrysanthemum a flower if you want - I call it a crest. The FLOWERS that appear on Japanese coins are cherry blossoms and paulownia flowers - each appears on many coins of the WWII period.

Joe Boling

[So when my wife plants the chrysanthemums along the front walk in the fall she is really planting crests not flowers? A rose by any the name..]

Dear Editor,

Our Auction 42F closes in 3 days on July 12, 2012 at 9 PM Mountain Time. The auction can be seen in it's entirety at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/42F>. Highlights of the sale are noted at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/42f#highlights>.

There is still time for you to place your bids, check your bids, inquire about strategy, ask for digital photographs and ask further questions about the lots. We will be available by phone, fax and email most waking hours between now and the end of the sale.

Many lots have strong bids with lots of competition while other lots have seen little or no action.

We hope to hear from you shortly. As the sale nears the end we may difficulty answering all your questions or fulfilling your photographic requests.

We confirm all email bids within 24 hours (usually much quicker). If you sent us bids via email and did not receive a confirmation please contact us.

Remember if we receive two identical bids the earliest bid received will be the winning bid so it is in your best interests to bid early.

Bill Rosenblum

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I have corresponded with several of the Gramsters who have advertised in the Gram and they have had miserable results. I am "athinkin" (as we say down home) that the readers finish the letters and stop reading unless they want to know show dates or other information. It is nice to have an "Exchange" section but I believe the ads should be placed in between the items and letters like in The Esylum. This way, every ad will be read by every Gramsters. At some point, if you poll the advertisers, you might even have a small charge for the ads and offset some of the expenses of the Gram like in The Esylum! If this is not done, I think the "Exchange" should be eliminated because it is a waste of time and space for everyone putting in the ads and the editor.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

I received the following email address from Ken Berger in order to get on the mailing list for the MPC gram. Look forward to reading it. Thanks,

James Haney

[Dear James, Welcome to the MPCGram. Please feel free to write in with you thoughts on military numismatics - Ed.]

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Picture Post Card ...large circular portrait of Hitler in black & white Red 20 haleru Czech postage stamp with violet "Wie Sind Frei/swastika", canceled Oct 5, 1938 Alt-Habendorf-Sudetengau, unaddressed. Item #91 of "Manner ber Zeit" series of post cards. A few old hinge residue at edges. \$35.00 postpaid. (Bohemia & Moravia for reference)

Note: These overprints exist on Czech postage and I believe revenue stamps also and checking with the current editor of Scotts stamp catalogues are not listed, just mentioned as they are considered local and not provisional, I would call these very political as they were issued as the German forces swept across the country. Very scarce item. A while back it was suggested to list stamps in WW II Remembered. Well this is just one good example of non-Scott listed material. Another is NSDAP revenue stamps... just type in Germany revenue on eBay for just a sampling of how the war was partially financed with taxes on almost everything.

Contact Colin Bruce

kandybruce@hotmail.com

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2012 ANA Summer Seminar Session II

Military Numismatics Since 1930

Part 2

by Ken Berger

The Basic class had five students: myself, James, Michael, Greg and Louise (Joes wife). The Advanced class had three students: Warner, Tony and Dick. For the first half of the first meeting both classes were together. During this time, we participated in receiving our pay. For the Basic class, we were offered the opportunity to practice first with training money. Only James & I took advantage of this. Since nobody else participated, the remaining training money was destroyed. Thus, only two complete sets of training money should exist; if there are more, then they were illegally obtained and could ultimately be confiscated by the MFC government and either destroyed or kept, such as occurred with the U.S. government and the 1933 double eagles.

After going through the practice, everybody was paid in monetary units called Springs. Those of us who did not have pay books or ration cards were issued them. Besides local serial numbers, specific serial numbers and star notes, numerous errors were also found. Some Springs were only partially printed, others were uniface, still others had multiple denominations due to misprinting. Everybody started looking for errors. We were also shown some Spring specimen notes as a learning aid during our discussion of MPC specimens. Surprisingly, after learning about specimens, some of the Spring specimens were not returned to the MFC government and are out there floating around illegally.

For the remainder of the course, until the second half of the last day, the Basic and the Advanced course students were separate. In the Basic course, we started with the history of WWII: its causes (both in Europe and the Pacific), its events, and its ultimate conclusion. We then began to discuss the various monetary instruments used during WWII (HAWAII overprinted silver certificates, North African yellow seal silver certificates, so-called invasion money) along with their reasons for usage and their success or lack thereof. As the days progressed, we moved into the occupation money and its eventual change into MPCs. Fred was now in his element! Not only did we learn about the different series, we also learned about printing techniques, sheets, block numbers, position numbers, multiple printings, watermarks (both light & dark), planchettes, UV ink, regular issues, replacement issues, specimens (manufacturer and local), printing techniques, etc., etc., etc. Then we learned about the two unissued series (#691 and #701). We were also told innumerable stories. Our heads were spinning. As if this wasnt enough, we were next taught about emissions from Japan; for this topic, Joe came in a taught us.

Towards the end of the week, we covered German War Bonds and lotteries (I learned that U.S. War Bonds are covered in the Advanced class), Barter Notes, and (one of my favorites) FTPCs. I had brought my collection of \$1 FTPC to the class and I received the ultimate compliment: Fred said it was a real nice collection! On top of this, one of the notes was completely unknown to Joe both with respect to serial number and color combination!

While the course was progressing, the value of the Springs kept decreasing. Throughout the course, the Bond Officer, Warner, would periodically encourage us to buy Fest Bonds with our Springs. There were various types of bonds available.

During the second half of the last day of class, the advanced students returned to join us and give presentations of the individual work they had been doing. Warner spoke first about Short Snorters, he was followed by Dave who spoke about Sutler chits and their eventually becoming canteen tokens, finally Tony spoke about the Battle of Brisbane (not to be confused with the Battle for Brisbane) and some of the WWII chits in Australia. A few words had to be translated from Aussie to Yank but we were all able to follow along. After the talks, the Springs were declared invalid and a conversion day was called. The Springs were converted into MFCs, Series 121. All remaining Springs were stamped "VOID" and would ultimately be used later as souvenirs. I should also mention that throughout the week a number of short snorters were created.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

One of the rules of cross examination is not to ask a question you do not know the answer to. I am fairly certain I know the answer to this one, but time will tell: What series of MPC was in use on Fred's first birthday?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

There are several French Indochina notes from Oceania with a postmark style overprint. What is the name of the location in the overprint?

ANSWER:

Vaitape, Ile Bora-Bora.

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EDITORIAL

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Dear Fred,

Happy Birthday.

Brian Giese

I did not know it was Fred's birthday yesterday until Brian's email came in. Birthdays are special occasions and we should recognize them here in the Gram. Today's question is one way to recognize Fred's attaining another year of wisdom. So Mr. Publisher, Happy Birthday and many more.

Ken Berger has suggested we poll our readers to see where they would like to the advertisements located in the Gram . The nameless person Ken mentions may not agree with me, but, I like the idea and would ask for suggestions. For the time being, if anyone sends in a want ad or an offer to sell something numismatic, I will put the original email with the want ad or sale ad in Mail Call and repeat the ad later on as in the past. In this way our readers will get a little story to go along with the ad. Today we start with a request from Ken Hallenbeck.Can anyone help Ken with the note?

Along with Jim Downey, I sent an email to the seller offering the Malayan Jim note on eBay and described what the note really is and referred him to Remembered. I was surprised that he answered almost immediately and said he would take the ad down. I can only assume mine was one of a number of emails. This is yet another example of how the Gram should work in education.

Jim Aitken has sent in Part 3 of his travels with Larry and I have a problem with the copy/paste; it erases the whole draft copy of the Gram. I tried to send Jim and email and that bounced. So Jim, if you have your ears on, please send in part three again to the Gram email address.

And

Walking down the street in a big city I came across a huge church occupying almost a whole block. On it was a big crew on scaffolds, each man equipped with a brush covering over what appeared to be a terrible and heavily scarred wall. When I asked one crew member what happened and why it had looked so bad, here's what he said. Some time back the foreman was told to use 50 gallons of paint and 50 gallons of turpentine to mix together to do this wall. After making his own calculations he decided to use only 25 gallons of paint and 75 gallons of turpentine. It looked as if he had turned into a genius as the wall looked so great....that is, until the first rain. Then it scarred and ran and turned perfectly horrible as you see it. Going inside he said, "O my God, what am I going to do, what am I going to do?" Whereupon a voice from on high said, "Repaint, O Ye Thinners, and Never Ye Thin Again!"

Remember this: If you are flatulent in church you end up sitting in your own Phew!

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Dear Editor,

Please join me in contacting the seller of eBay item number 271016668199 to explain to him that his note is not genuine. It is one of the fantasy Malaya JIM \$1.00 notes. He insists that it is an error.

Jim Downey

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I'm looking for some help. I need a Hungarian 1 pengó note to complete my set of Hungarian ultra inflation notes from 1 pengó to the pengó note of 21 zeros. So, I'm looking for either the Hungarian 1 pengó note, 1938 Pick #102 or #114 in VF or better. Thanks, Ken Hallenbeck, email: kenhallenbeck@comcast.net. Ken Hallenbeck, 711 N. Nevada Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903-1007. Thanks, Ken p.s. the ANA summer seminar was great as usual. The new executive director, Jeff Shevlin, is really getting into it really well. Contrary to his two fired predecessors, he's making a real effort to be among the members and get to know them. I think he's got a great start.

Ken Hallenbeck

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I should have written this before but some new Subject: (No Subject) Spam today and it has been showing up in my In Box over the last few weeks. Except most of those with women's names, they are from male Gramsters! I think someone has hacked into the Gram emailing list?

I spoke at the regional numismatic organization in Asheville last evening and it was well received. Greg Capps of Black Mountain Coins recruited me at the last FUN Show. I talked for about 15-20 minutes about Ho Chi Minh Trail coupons and then had at least another 30 minutes of questions. And more questions before I could clear the room. There was about 25 people there and only two were veterans and only one had served a tour in Viet Nam. No one knew about the coupons before my talk. I handed out a hardcopy of my talk and photocopies of the coupons.

George Dalley, an old Laos hand, drove down from Christiansburg, VA to talk with me during the afternoon and attend the meeting to hear my talk. He gave me a bunch of Pathet Lao version of the 1957 Royal issue of paper money that some Pathet Lao (PL) troops paid him for a pig! This was during the short time the PL was in a coalition government. There should be some new block numbers and letters in the group for my database.....I hope.

Earlier in the day, I visited Black Mountain Coins in Black Mountain, NC, which is about 15 miles from Asheville. Greg Capps showed me around their operation and introduced me to the employees. Then he took me upstairs to the owner's, Dan Lewis, work area. A VERY nice operation and they do have a few pieces that could be of interest to Gramsters! I gave Greg a MPC Fest coin and he wants to be a paid subscriber to the Gram. His email iscoinguy1974@yahoo.com.

After leaving Asheville this morning, I stopped in Burlington, NC and had lunch with Dr. Jon-Michael Bruce. He is Colin Bruce's son. He went to medical school at SUNY and interned in the US Army. He did not know about MPC or Pogs. He does now. He is married and has four children and lives in Cary, NC, where he also has a practice there. Great guy and I very much enjoyed talking with him. He might show up with his family at my Bay House so he and his sons can fish the area and his wife and daughter can lay in the big hammock.

When I left Burlington, I checked my watch to see what time I was leaving and then what time I arrived here at the Bay House in Deltaville. It was 5 hours. I noticed a 10 on the calendar in my watch and realized it was 10 July, which is the 53rd anniversary of me joining the Army. A momentous occasion for me and the Army!!!!

The Master Sergeant Daniel

[If you enlisted at 17, that makes you a septuagenarian doesn't it? - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I read with interest Howard Daniel's suggestion about moving the ads farther up front in the Gram. I have made this same recommendation on a number of occasions over the years. In fact, I suggested it during the 2012 Summer Seminar (to an individual whom shall remain nameless). Every single time my suggestion has been shot down. Therefore, I suggest you take a poll of the Gramsters to settle this issue once & for all. Where should the ads be: at the beginning, in the middle or at the end?

Ken Berger

Dear Editor

Here is a story of a bear that went to war, in WW11.

This is based on a true story, and was part of Anders Army;

quite interesting, and should be of mention.

James Edwards

[Google "Wojtek the bear that went war" to read the story. There is no numismatic tie-in but it is an interesting short read - Ed.]

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Travels with Larry and Jim,

by Jim Aitken

The Memphis Paper Money Show 2012 was a great adventure for this first time attendee..With the help of my friends, I was able to add several nice items to my collections. I believe the best part of the Memphis show was meeting, talking to, and having dinner with fellow festers. Meeting dealers like Pam west, Tony James and John Pettit was a great experience.

I even won an item from the Lyn Knight Auction. I would recommend the Memphis show to anyone who hasn't had the chance to attend. Fellowship and abundant opportunities to obtain paper money are there.

Aside from attending the Memphis show, I had previously wanted to accomplish some other items on my "Bucket List". Two items at the top of the list were 1) to visit Larry and Prudy Smulczenski in Georgetown, Texas and 2) to visit as many of the WW II confinement/internment camps in the area as time would allow. I especially wanted to visit the camps in Jerome and Rohwer, Arkansas. Larry reported on the Seagoville visit and the Memphis experience. I will tell of our return trip from Memphis to Georgetown, Texas.

At 0700 Monday morning Larry Smulczenski, Brian Giese, Fred Schwan and myself met in the lobby of our hotel before departing from the Memphis show to say our goodbyes. Once Larry and I loaded the car we programmed "Ms. Onstar" for route 61 south and we were "On the Road" again. As we departed Tennessee we drove south to Mississippi. By 1000 hours we had crossed the Mississippi River on highway 82 into Arkansas. Heading north on 65 we turned left onto highway 144 for ten miles to highway 165. Just round the bend was Jerome, pop 46. WE HAD ARRIVED!. There was only one problem, none of the recorded population of 46 was around to talk to. The only building in town was the Alice and Sydney Grange. We drove into the parking lot intending to knock on the Grange door. As we parked, a young lady came out of the building and headed for her truck. We stopped her and inquired as to the site of the Jerome War Relocation center. "Oh my" she said in a sorrowful tone. "You are too late. You just missed John", and she went on to relate that just a few months prior John Ellington, local historian and owner of the land where the camp stood, had passed away. However, his home and the camp were just a quarter mile north on Highway 165. Leaving the parking lot we turned left back onto 165 and drove north past a tree line with a field opening into a lush green rice paddy with a 100 foot smoke stack in the center. The smoke stack was one of the few remaining land marks from the old hospital incinerator. The tree line that we had passed marked the Eastern boundary of the old internment camp. Next we came to a group of farm buildings and there we found Ellington road. The road seemed to cut the camp site in half running east and west. As we drove east on the road we passed a large, concrete water tank now overgrown with small trees about 15 feet high. This tank originally supplied the camp with water. Sitting on the road surrounded by rice paddies and pastures we wondered what we should do next. Suddenly a cloud of dust bloomed some distance down the road and appeared to be heading toward us. Out of the dust came a huge black pickup truck. Larry said, "Oh oh, I hope we are not trespassing on private property" The vehicle driver, a big young man, pulled up and stopped next to us on the one lane dirt road. We told him that we were interested in learning more information about the internment camp. He said "Mista John owned the farm and I worked for him but he died, so y'all need to see Mr. Kim, who I work for now. Mista Kim lives back there in that farm house."

So what do we do now? We didn't want to inconvenience the folks in the house but this is why we came here. We drove up to the house, walked up on the porch and knocked on the door. Out of the house came "the farmer's daughter" with the most beautiful blue eyes either of us had ever seen. We told her about our interest and she introduced herself as Emily Ellington, home for the summer after completing her junior year at a branch of Arkansas State. She confessed she didn't know as much about the camp as she should. Her Dad, Kim, was in bed sick with the flu but maybe Mama could help. She went into the house and came back with Mama (Sharon) a bubbly, Southern Lady who oozed willingness to help us. They pointed out a few remaining structures still visible on the property. Then Sharon went back in the house and returned with an armful of items that had been found during the previous years when the fields were plowed prior to planting the rice crop. There was a broken cup some metal forks and spoons, a military button (all were government issued) and a poster drawn by one of the internees. The poster indicated the train travel route from California to Arkansas. We were overjoyed with our reception and what we had learned.

Jerome Relocation Reception Center was a Japanese internment camp open from October 1942 until June 1944 and contained 8497 inhabitants. Of the major internment camps this was the last internment camp to be opened and the first to be closed, being converted into a holding place for German Prisoners of War. Once this camp closed the remaining Japanese were transferred to Hear Mountain, UT (507), Gila River, AZ (2055), Granada, CO (514) and Rohwer, AR (2522). One original building is still standing on the Ellington farm. It is now used as a residence for farm employees. Today a ten foot high granite monument marks the camp location and its history. The marker is located in front of the Ellington farm on Highway 165 and County Road 210 just 8 miles south of Dermott, Arkansas

From the Ellington Farm we traveled NE to Dermott in hopes of finding a local museum recommended to us but unfortunately it wasn't open for visitors, it was still in the planning stages to be part of a local Railroad Museum that was in the old Dermott Railway Station. It was closed and unoccupied the day we were there. Over a late lunch we discussed POW chits used at Jerome by German POWs after June of 1944. After lunch we programmed our Onstar with our route to Rohwer Internment Camp "On the road Again"

to be continued

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

One of the rules of cross examination is not to ask a question you do not know the answer to. I am fairly certain I know the answer to this one, but time will tell: What series of MPC was in use on Fred's first birthday?

ANSWER:

When Fred was one it was 481.

Bill McNease

ANSWER:

The actual MPC being used on Fred's first birthday????? You got to be kidding? They were still engraving on stone when he was born!!!

Pacemaker6

ANSWER:

Well, barring resurrections, reincarnations, and any other supernatural events, people have one birthday. On my birthday, MPC Series 461 was in use.

Fred Schwan

[Note: This is Fred's FIRST answer and it is incorrect!!]

ANSWER:

Kathy thought it was an issue of Continental Currency but then research showed it was series 472. It was released 22 MAR 1948 so it was in circulation on 14 July 1948.

Myers

ANSWER:

OK, Series 461 was very short lived and 471 was in use for my one and only birthday.

Fred Schwan

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EDITORIAL

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Before we can answer the last Gram question as posed, we need to ask another question: what do you call the day on which you were born? The obvious answer is "your birthday". Now if you accept that answer, and I do not see how you can refute it, logic tells you if it is called "your birthday" than it has to be your FIRST birthday. It follows then, that when you have achieved one year of life, the birthday that comes around is your SECOND birthday and you are a year old. Hence, the question posed, can read "what series of MPC was in use on Fred's birthday?" At Fest XI Brad Schwan made the statement that Fred was born in 1947 and when Brian Giese's email arrived on 13 July, I made the assumption that Fred's birthday was on the 13th; I have since been corrected. The error does not alter the question nor the correct answer.

Now, Should we can give Fred a pass on getting his first response wrong because he was very young and, as we all know, memory fades with time? After all it was a long time ago. Bear in mind that he is the author of "the Book" on MPC and the book says that series 461 was issued in September of 1946 and withdrawn in March of 1947 and March came before July even back in 1947. Series 471 replaced series 461 in March of 1947 and was withdrawn in March of 1948, so the correct answer to the question is Series 471. And, as far as giving Fred a pass, I will leave it up to our readers. He did eventually get the right answer and did know that his first birthday was the day on which he came into the world.

The ANA convention Joe Boling mentions was in New York City in 1997. It was there I bought a complete set of Series 471 MPC from Fred. I won't tell you what I paid for it, but it was a "steal"!!!!!!

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Dear Editor,

Ken Berger has forgotten that Sad Sack Boling also drew training pay, as a demonstration of how NOT to report for pay. The battalion clerk chewed Boling up one side and down the other (including Sergeant Snorkel-like manhandling) - paymaster Talso seemed impressed. Point being - there are THREE sets of training pay in private(s') hands.

Private Berger has also forgotten (or never learned - horrors) that silver certificates were not the only class of notes overprinted HAWAII.

This gram was dated 14 July, so it was not Fred's birthday "yesterday" - it was "today," Bastille day, 14 July. To assist readers in replying to the question about what series MPC was circulating when Fred was born, consider that we celebrated his 50th birthday at an ANA convention in New York - I leave it to readers to remember which New York convention that was (it was the second year where exhibitors and judges had an "alternative" banquet, because the ANA had withdrawn banquet tickets as compensation for hours spent judging or building exhibits).

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

I want to apologize to Dave Hunsicker for referring to him as Dick in Part 2 of my Summer Seminar report and as Dan in Part 3 of the report. Mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa.

Ken Berger

[Ken's third report on the summer Seminar will appear in the next Gram - Ed.]

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Part 3 (Last Part)

The class ended on Thursday afternoon and we were awarded our certificates of completion. The only thing left was the Banquet. To be quite honest, I was disappointed in the food served at the Banquet. I

found the food to be below the standard of what we had been eating all week in the cafeteria. The cafeteria food provided a wide selection during breakfast, lunch and dinner, and was more than satisfactory, although I never saw any regular English muffins or white bread.

Before the Banquet began, Fred hung military banners from the rafters above where the military numismatic students (both basic and advanced) were sitting. We had decided to commandeer an entire table for ourselves. Also, Fred, Dan & I distributed voided Springs at each place setting at each table. At the end of the Banquet, it was obvious that many people did not realize what they had because they left their voided Springs on the tables after they departed. A number of individuals, myself included, went around collecting these left over voided Springs. It was among these that I found a voided Specimen Spring and a voided misprinted Spring with three denominations! Prior to this discovery, only a misprinted two denomination Spring was known. Also located at each place setting was this years Summer Seminar Banquet token which was based on a coin of Alexander the Great from the 4th century B.C. During the Banquet, the various instructors were recognized by name, the Young Numismatists (YNs) were recognized by standing, all attendees who had been awarded scholarships were also recognized by standing. In addition, Peter Huntoon was awarded the ninth Doctor of Numismatics, honoris causa by the ANA. Appropriately, Joe Boling had been awarded the eighth Doctor of Numismatics, honoris causa by the ANA the week before. After the Banquet, there was a Bluegrass concert by AcmeBluegrass. I found the female member of the band, Tracy, who was both the lead singer & bass player, to be excellent and much better than her bandmates.

During the week, there were a number of side trips planned but because of the Waldo Canyon wildfire, most of them (the Gold Mine tour and the Cave of the Winds tour) were cancelled. These cancellations disappointed me because I had been hoping to get a lot of pictures which I could use in my classes. Only the Pikes Peak Ascent on the Cog Railway Tour took place. Unfortunately, this trip conflicted with Joes Money Talks (Bull Session), entitled How Do Counterfeiters Replicate the Security Features on Currency. I missed Joes talk because I had opted for the Pikes Peak trip. It was a bad choice on my part. Going up Pikes Peak, the sky was overcast and very little could be seen. As we approached the summit, it started to rain and then snow and the temperature dipped down to 35 degrees Fahrenheit. Upon arrival at the summit (over 14K feet), we all ran into the souvenir store because of the rain/snow. We stayed there until the train was ready leave and just as the train pulled out of the station the sky cleared.

Also during the week, there were a number of mini-seminars none of which I attended. However, I did attend Freds Money Talks (Bull Session), entitled World War II Trench Art. I found it both interesting and informative, although I found Freds definition of trench art to be a bit too broad for my taste. Other events which took place were the ANA book sale. I did not find anything I really needed and the few books that I was familiar with, I found to be priced quite high. They can be obtained

on eBay for a lot less money. In fact, I was disappointed in the ANA Library. In my various areas of numismatic interest, I have a better library in many respects than does the ANA.

Another event was the YN Auction, which I found interesting. One event in which I participated was the Money Mixer, which was held on Saturday night. During this event, participants are given the opportunity to display and discuss any items they may have brought with them. I displayed my \$1 MPCs & FTFCs, some I.O.U. chits from the Philippines and Puerto Rico during the Spanish-American War, and some CCC booklets and \$1 I.O.U. chits from the 1930s. A number of individuals (including YNs) were interested in my display and we discussed the items in length. At the end, I gave each of the YNs who had joined in the discussion a Philippine guerrilla note. I was surprised at the number of individuals who were interested in my CCC items. They especially enjoyed hearing that these items were from my father and that they contained his only existing true signature, since they were signed prior to his being wounded and eventually captured during the Battle of Bulge. The wound, which came from either a hand grenade or a mortar, resulted in the destruction of the medial nerve in his right arm, thereby preventing him from ever writing with his right hand again.

On the last day, James mentioned to Greg, Gregs roommate and I about the Luna Lounge and that people had been meeting there all week in the evening. Our collective response was What is the Luna Lounge? No one told us about it. Greg and I commented that we had wondered what people were doing in the evening. Greg said he assumed that everybody was going to bed early, so he too went to bed. I, being a night owl, would check my various email accounts, check my eBay searches, and then also turn in for the night at a time which was much earlier than that to which I was accustomed. Little did we know that many things were going on at the Lunar Lounge. I did show up Thursday evening, but because we were all leaving on Friday morning and I had to catch an early shuttle, I could not stay very late.

Overall, it was an interesting and educational week. Some things were great and some were not. I can definitely say, however, that I learned a lot. I can also say that Fred now knows the difference between a Theory (Theories) and a Hypothesis (Hypotheses).

The End

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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What denominations are unknown in collections for notes produced by Services Nationaux Francais des Nouvelles Hebrides?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

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ANSWER:

Giesecke and Devrient for 10 & 1000, Enschede for 20, and Maison Emile Schroell for 500, so three.

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EDITORIAL

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Thanks to Michele Orzano I now have a copy of the article dealing with the WHW tokens that appeared in the February 1976 TAMS Journal. Article authors William Hyder and R. W. Colbert state a Winter Help campaign was started in Upper Bavaria to provide for unemployed Socialist Party members who were in need. The program was expanded in 1933 and was used as a fund raiser for the party. The WHW drives ran through the winter (October - March) and included sales of tickets, tokens and badges for those who contributed. Many of these small badges were pin backs and bore the image of Hitler and/or the swastika. By wearing the pin the donor showed he had contributed and was "protected against ridicule and public scorn for refusing to aid those less fortunate" . Early tokens from Austria were not designed to be worn. Austria at that time was not a Nazi state and there would have been no pressure for Austrians to donate, hence no need to show that an individual had made any contributions. Winter Help Work campaigns later became War Winter Help Work to aid soldiers on the Russian front fighting not only the Russians but the

Russian winter. The article goes on to describe 73 tokens, many of them illustrated, and putting them into categories. There are the Early Tokens, Pre 1933; The First Year 1933-34; the Austrian Revolution 1933-34; The Austrian SS; The Saar Returns Home; and Winterhilfe 1935-40. The token I described is in this last category, and ,again according to Hyder and Colbert, is "the most interesting group.....with their symbolism of the one hand dropping wheat shafts into the other hand appropriately conveying the purpose of Winter Help Work". Personally the symbolism is lost when coupled with the swastika.

We have some articles/letters with images attached and I have emailed Doug Bell to see if we can get them reproduced on the website. Hopefully Doug can get this done.

With the R.C/N.A. Minfest scheduled for today and the convention winding up tomorrow, can we get a report?

And...

There was a great young athlete named Picabo (pronounced Peek-a boo) Street who won a number of medals in sports including participation in Olympics (true). One time she fell ill and her friends took her to a hospital where she was examined in an Intensive Care Unit. There were so honored to have her as a patient that they named that Unit after her, calling it "Picabo, I.C.U."

Looking forward to seeing you at ANA soon,

Neil

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Dear Editor,

Following is an auction lot which may be of interest to Gram readers:

Lot 7725 in the Stack's Bowers ANA Philadelphia sale:

Historic "Short Snorter" of European Theater of World War II

Short Snorter, 1942-1944, Composed of nine U.S. and European Banknotes, 50 inches in overall length. All notes assembled in this historical grouping were in circulation in lands being reconquered by the Allies. It became a treasured custom among servicemen and women to have notes signed by dozens of comrades that one met, generally gathered around bars or festive boards in the European theater. The prestige of such a collection of notes was vastly increased by a serviceman who successfully sought out the signatures of significant higher-ups that he encountered and such "Short Snorters" became treasured records of wartime service. On this fascinating chain, most signatories merely signed their names, while others added their rank, many their hometowns or in one New Yorker's case, his street address in The Bronx! Some clear signatures will be specified below, though not all, as it would take many hours of closest scrutiny to decipher all the signatures present. Notes and significant signatures include U.S. \$1 Silver Certificate, 1935A. Signatures include Gen. Jimmy Doolittle, Air Chief Carl Spaatz, James Stewart (movie star and Air Force Reserve General after the war). URUGUAY. 1 Peso, 1935. Many signatures. FRANCE Banque de France 50 Francs, 1941. Xmas Day 1944, Embassy Club, England. Milroy les Ambassadeurs, several signatures, one in Chinese. ITALY. Allied Occupation 100 Lire, 1943A. Wild Bill Donovan (OSS leader), Betty Rodenbaugh, Glenshaw. BELGIUM. 100 Francs-20 Belgas, 1943. Lt. Elson, Paratroopers, Staff Sgt. Edward F. Moss and D. Moseley Edwards of Maryland, Red Dooner of Pittsburgh, T. Sgt. Sidney Garber, 912 E. 180 St. Bronx NY. GERMANY. Reichsbanknote 50 Reichsmark, 1933. Edward C. Unger, Richard R. Jacobson, John Wilkinson of the service newspaper "Stars and Stripes." Red Dooner, now of Pittsburgh, Dwight David Eisenhower (5 stars). BELGIUM. 5 Francs. 1938. SCOTLAND, Royal Bank. Chaplains Doyle and Buchanan, Dorothy Steele, Sgt. Carl J. Johnson. BELGIUM. 10 Francs, 1943. H. Voetters. Notes are connected by strips of old-fashioned Scotch tape, not recommended today for preservation. A wonderful assemblage of notes and signatures, not as initially appealing as a stack of Crisp Uncirculated pieces might be to the specialist but of incomparable richness as a significant artifact of the history of the Second World War and its participants "on the ground." It is a sobering thought to the sensitive modern collector examining this collection of wartime notes to realize that nearly all signatories are now in that great hall of heroes in the sky .

Estimate: \$1,500 - \$3,000

Dear Esteemed Editor,

Something has happened where I am being associated with the Marine Corps on almost a daily basis.

At my favorite Vietnamese restaurant in Northern Virginia where I have my morning soup, a young man, who is a former Marine, also has his morning soup. His leadership skills got him a supervisor's job with a local

construction firm. Then one of my cousins emailed me that her sister's son is in the Marine Corps and stationed on Okinawa. She said he wants to start his job search now and not wait until he is discharged. So I am helping him with his resume now and a job search when he has only a couple of months to go.

Then I came across a sign along a road herewith Semper Fi Store and an address. I went to the address this morning after my soup and discovered it was below the offices for the Marine Corps League's National Headquarters. Of course, it has tons of Corps stuff, but also a few items that will be acceptable to those of us from the other armed forces. There are also some challenge coins and philatelic items in the store, and in their online store at www.mcleague.com/semperfistore.

Shawn or Sean is the store manager and is 29 years old. He has recently enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve and is about to leave for basic training. At 29 years old, he is just below the age limit. Raise your glasses to him and wish him luck with the much younger men who will be with him!

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

Regarding Fred's birthday:

Well there were assignats issued in France during their Revolution.....

Colin Bruce

Colonel Boling, Sir.

Private Berger has no excuse for not knowing that other forms of notes besides silver certificates were overprinted HAWAII, Sir. However, Sir, Private Berger does not aspire to be a line officer, Sir, but rather an LDO (Limited Duty Officer) specializing in only \$1 denominations. Hopefully, the Colonel can overlook this gross mistake on Private Berger's part, Sir.

[What is the record for the most "sirs" in a letter to the Gram? - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

This one [the last Gram] came in two screens wide again. A lot of moving text back and forth to read a complete sentence.

Herb Friedman

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Travels with Larry and Jim

Conclusion,

by Jim Aitken

After having a late subway lunch in McGehee, Arkansas we made our way out of town. "Ms. Onstar" directed us NE on route 1 through open farm land for about 12 miles to our next stop at Rohwer, Arkansas. Slowing down we approached Rohwer, a sleepy, flat, backwater farmland just 5 miles west of the Mississippi River. Route 1 doglegged to a segment of road lined with trees on the left with a half mile of homes and a few small businesses on the right. Suddenly, on the left we saw an old sign post that read "War Relocation Center". An arrow pointed left. Following the arrow, we found ourselves on a dirt road. Now we realized why the left side of Route 1 was covered with trees. As we crossed an abandoned railroad line we stopped on the old tracks and looking in both directions it appeared as though we were looking through a woodland tunnel.. Trees on either side of the tracks had grown in such a way that they folded over to create an enclosure. Looking ahead about a half mile we saw a grove of trees surrounded by open fields. We were approaching the Rohwer Relocation Cemetery. After parking the car we learned that the National Parks Service indicated that the cemetery's condition is threatened due to the deterioration of grave markers and monuments. The ownership of the site is unclear. The cemetery markers indicate the passing of adults and children between 1942 and 1945. In front of the graves is constructed a WW II military tank shaped memorial made of reinforced concrete. It guards the cemetery and commemorates the Japanese Americans who fought for the US at Anzio and elsewhere in Italy and France during WW II, who were part of the 100th Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

Thirty-one who came from Rohwer camp died in the action and are listed on the memorial. On top of this memorial we discovered a golden Kite (a bird associated with pre-historic Japanese mythology that guarded warriors in key battles - see SB pg. 531) Standing next to this memorial on the right is a newer granite memorial dedicated not only to those in the cemetery but to all Japanese interned at Rohwer.

Looking across the open field to the North, and above the tree borderline, we saw the top of a smoke stack. It was now time to find someone to help us locate other landmarks. Driving back to Route 1 we found a paved street clustered with old buildings. Standing proudly in front of a double wide trailer Post Office stood an American flag. Parking the car we went inside seeking directions and more information about the internment site.

In the lobby of this "postage stamp" sized Post Office is a small writing counter with typical PO Boxes lining the wall next to one old fashioned teller's cage. We were greeted by Post Mistress Betty McElroy who greets us with, "What can I do for you boys? You look lost". We learned Betty had operated single handedly the small post office for the

past twenty ears. Larry told Betty why were were in the area and began to ask questions. Whoosh! The flood gates opened.

Betty began by giving us each a copy of a picture taken in September 1942 by resident Donald Moss. It showed that same old abandoned railroad line as it was during full operation. Parked on the rail line was a dark looking train. The train appears to be very long with Japanese people and military MPs standing 8-12 [people deep as they debarked the train. Betty said this was the beginning of the internee arrivals. She indicated that she was just a young girl during the war years. Asking about the surrounding area Betty answered that in those days Rout 1 was just a gravel road and that the nearest town was McGehee. She recalled that many good things came to Rohwer via the Japanese internees. Each Saturday she would ride the ust to town and sit next to a Japanese girl she had befriended. Betty's first banana was given to her by that girl. She stated thai fresh fruit and food stuff came to the camp by train. With the camp came electrical power lines and shortly after WW II came indoor plumbing. Up to this time our in the country they had either electricity nor indoor plumbing. Knowing that these internees were Us citizens we questioned whether they used US dollars or "camp money". Betty said "nothing special, just US currency" We asked about the remaining buildings. "Besides the cemetery there are three remaining items yo must see" said Betty. "The original hospital incinerator smoke stack, the high school gymnasium/auditorium and the one transplanted 20' by 120' barracks now used as someone's home" We were given driving instructions to see these land marks. The smoke stack was in the middle of a fenced field and could only be seen from a side road. The high school auditorium is now part of the local elementary school and was very visible. Having been directed to the remaining barracks (home) we parked along eh roadway and Larry took several pictures of the structure from the driveway. Betty had indicated that one of the few remaining elsters who would have knowledge of the site was Roselle Gould who lived in McGehee. She had live in Rowher during WW II but had recently moved into town. Rowher Center was originally build on tax delinquent land that needed clearing, leveling and proper drainage. YThe site consisted of 7,582 acres. The camp itself became 500 acres of tarpapered 20'x120' barracks at a cost of \$4,800,558.00 and had a population of 8,475 who were mostly involved in agriculture, commercial fishing ann/or business in agricultural products. Rohwer was the last of all internment camps to be closed.

As it was now late in the afternoon and we stall had seven to eight hours of driving time, we decided it was best to be "on the Road Again". We thanked Betty for her stories and pointing us in the right direction toward the remains of the Relocation Camp sites. Larry set "Ms Onstar" for a route to Louisiana Interstate 20.

As Larry and I "talked" our way through the SE corner of Arkansas and into louisiana we recalled many of the day's events seeing Jerome and Rowher internment camps. It no time we had found our way to Interstate 20 and were heading west to Shreveport, La, Dallas, Tx and south to Georgetown. The last leg of the trip was mostly "windshield" time but s

Larry said when asked if her would me to take a turn driving, "I'm so exited about all the information we have seen and heard, I'm not tired at all" I must admit our 0030 hour arrival into Georgetown and bed were by that time indeed a welcome sight. The next day we shared pictured taken and information found. We placed all the items on Larry computer to prepare a DVD. Come to next year's Fest and see the pictures we took on the road, in our presentation, "Travels with larry andJim".

As Larry and I departed for the Austin Airport and my return flight to Seattle, I realized what great friends I have been able to meet and associate with thought the Fest group.

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Canteen Vouchers are known for the Palace Internment Camp on the Isle of Man. What are the denominations?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What denominations are unknown in collections for notes produced by Services Nationaux Francais des Nouvelles Hebrides?

ANSWER:

Myfeeble, uneducated andunworthyattempt to answer is "500 Francs and 1000 Francs."

Thanks,

John Phipps

ANSWER:

The 500 and 100 francs.

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EDITORIAL

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There was a lot in Bill Rosenblum's last auction; it was a set of notes from the Cremona Internment Camp (Campo Concentramento per Internati Civili - Cremona) in Italy. The set in the auction is over stamped with a Star of David and is printed on a tan colored thick card stock. Another circular over stamp has the name of the camp. The notes are serialized but are not signed by the Il Comandante il Campo. Bill had described the lot as a possible fantasy, so before I placed my bid I did a little research. I first went to Campbell who lists notes from the Camp with and without the star. Lance states, according to a survivor, those with the star were "issued based on an internee's religion" but some research indicates these are fantasy issues. On the other hand, he reports the survivor from the camp authenticates the notes as genuine. Campbell (1993) quotes a price of \$40 each for the notes with the star and \$100 each for those without the star and with the signature. The set of notes consists of denominations of 0.50, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, and 50 Lire. I went next to Feller and Feller (2007) who reports that Guido Crapanzano, a noted Italian expert, believes the notes with the star to be genuine and reportedly was told by a camp inmate that those with the star were for use by Jews and those without were for use by Gentiles. The question that remains is why those with the star are not signed. Ray and Steve further report that Gastone Sollner, another Italian expert, based on information from Alan York, says these star notes are fakes. Feller values the notes with the star at \$50 each and those without, but with a signature, at \$150 each. So the set of seven notes ranges in value from \$280 (Campbell) to \$350 (Feller).

I also looked on the map and found Cremona is located in northern Italy on the Po River and is southwest of Bolzano. I do not have much in the way of internment or concentration camp issues, but these being from Italy interested me and I put in a bid. As it turned out, I won and the notes arrived today. The paper stock is thick, thicker than I thought it would be, and shows evidence of water staining. Campbell points this out and he describes the unsigned notes as usually being found in sets in VF-AU condition. I can agree with the grading. I also noted the serial number pattern: the 0.50 and 1 Lire notes have four digit serial numbers and so do those in Feller and in Campbell; the rest of the notes, my set and the sets in both books, have three digit serial numbers. Could this be an indication of the number printed for each denomination? I would

also be curious if signed notes are similarly serialized. The question still remains why are some signed and some not. We can all draw our own conclusions and we can believe or not believe whether or not those with the Star of David are fantasies. The notes that are signed by Il Comandante must be rarer than those with the star, since both Feller and Campbell picture the unsigned set. Comment is, of course, welcome, and I would like to know if any of our readers has a set, or an example, of a signed note. If so, I would appreciate a scan.

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Dear Editor,

Louise suggests that the Luna Lounge be included in the in-briefing in future years (the military class briefing, not the Saturday welcome ceremony). Maybe it needs a punch on the ration card, to show that the information has been passed.

Yes, I forgot that PVT Berger collects only \$1-denominated items, so the HAWAII FRNs would likely have passed beneath his attention. We'll have to remove the non-\$1 notes from his pay envelopes henceforth - they could be distracting.

Joe Boling

Dear MPCGram Readers,

I have an odd request, but one I hope someone who reads the Gram will be able to answer. I have t-shirts for the years 2005, 2008-2013, but am missing the years 2006 and 2007. I have a project I'm attempting for the auction (or something along those lines) involving the t-shirts, so it would be wonderful if someone who has a 2006 or 2007 t-shirt or both, preferably, would be willing to donate to me! If someone does, could they get back with me on this?

Thanks,

Kathy Freeland

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Dear Esteemed Editor,

I brought the new Postal Orders & Savings Certificates of Pakistan & British India catalog by Yahya Oureshi & Rafiq Kasbati to the MPC Fest in May. The catalog includes some WWII era pieces and Larry wanted me to acquire a copy for him. I have just received some copies from Pakistan. I have one for Larry and two (2) more I can sell to anyone who wants them. My cost is US\$10.50 each plus Priority Mail to you, or I can bring them to the Philly ANA in early August for those of you who will be there. Contact me at Howard@SEAsianTreasury.com to make all arrangements.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

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MPC - A Numbers Game

by James Haney

I put together a little article on what I did in excel to ease finding out the unit and page any piece of MPC I own. I included the article in both word and PDF format and can forward a demo excel file for reference if needed. Of course Fred if you find anything off in my calculations let me know. I tried a few serials from your book and they matched your results. I am not sure if anyone had done this before being new to MPC, but I thought I would put it out there.

When I received my copy of the Comprehensive Catalog of Military Payment Certificates by Fred Schwan I was delighted by one number and intrigued by another. The former was the fact that my favorite series of MPC to collect, that being series 681, was ordered in 1968 the same year I was born. The latter was in regards to what the serial number could tell you in conjunction with the position number about any MPC note you have in your collection.

In reading the book I discovered that the first two digits of the three digit series number tells you the year an issue was ordered. The third digit represents the series order that year. So again using my favorite series 681 it breaks down as follows: 1968 series order 1. It does seem there are exceptions to the rule and maybe I missed the explanation in my first reading. The example I actually own is the second printing of the series 681 twenty dollar note since it was ordered in 1969. So should this note not be series 691, but wait there is a series 691 and it was ordered in 1967. As you can probably guess if you have not read the book that my example is not the only exception. Also I am not here to dispute the system again I like it, if for anything 681 being 1968.

The other item was not so easy to fathom but piqued my interest. It was the idea that every sheet position consisted of 8000 notes. Just that little bit of information had me breaking out my calculator to see how it fit with the notes that I already had. Much to my dismay though it only seemed to work for two of my notes. The two notes that worked were \$0.05 notes position 53 and 57 respectively, but I had with a position number 59 with a serial number 627,628 less than position 53. I thought am I missing something?

I kept reading though I glossed over one very important item the unit number. This did not hit home until I had the opportunity to take the Military Numismatics Since 1930 class put on by both Fred Schwan and Joe Boling held during session II of the summer seminars at the ANA in Colorado Springs. It was during one of the lectures that unit number finally had a meaning and now I could put the pieces together.

I already knew for each position there were 8000 notes, but what I was missing was that there are 8000 sheets to a unit which means for fractional notes 672,000 notes per unit. So using fractional notes for our hypothetical example there are 84 positions starting with serial number 00000001 for position 1 and then the last note will be position 84 with a

serial number of 00672000. Of course I am omitting the block prefix and suffix for this discussion, though if you like series 681 like I do just mentally add a C on the front and for the rear hey that is optional since leaving it off just makes the serial number that much more special. Again I digress since block letters are not what is important here. The real key is that unit 2 will start with 00672001 for position 1 and continue on for another 672,000 notes and so on and so forth with each consecutive unit.

So that is how I could have a note with a position number 59 having a serial number less than a note with a position number of 53. It was because they were from different units. As for the two notes that did work well they were both from the same unit so their spread was just the difference between the position numbers factored by 8000. As Fred would say repeatedly during our session How cool is that!

If this is not enough you can take it one step further with this information you now have and determine what sheet within its unit your note came from. It is not a lengthy calculation but here is an example using my \$0.05 note position 59 serial number C07860023C:

$$07860023/672000 = 11.69$$

$$11*672000=7392000$$

$$(59-1)*8000=464000$$

$$07860023-(7392000+464000) = 4023 \text{ or better yet Sheet } 4,023$$

So now from the serial number I can know what unit my note came from and even narrow it down to the sheet it came from. Of course not being one to let sleeping dogs lie I knew there had to be a way to have Microsoft Excel do this for me and even determine when to use 560,000 in lieu of 672,000 based upon denomination. Yes there are different numbers used since even though there are still only 8000 sheets there are only 70 positions for \$1.00 notes and even less for notes above \$1.00. So instead of pulling out the book every time and punching keys on a calculator Excel seemed the way to go.

To be honest it was not as difficult as you could imagine though I did take some time to streamline the sequence to the point I felt it was good enough to share. I set up seven columns with the following headings:

ABCDEFG1DenominationPositionSerialCond.UnitSheetShtCalc2

Cells A2 through D2 are simple fill in the blanks though A2 through C2 are important in providing the information needed to determine both the unit and sheet. G2 is simply a calculation used in completing the formula

for F2. So for a point of reference I will fill in the table based upon the note I used above.

ABCDEFG1DenominationPositionSerialCond.UnitSheetShtCalc20.0559C07860023C67PPQ

The following is the formula inserted into cell E2:

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=ROUNDUP(IF(A3<1,(MID(C3,2,8))/672000,IF(A3=1,(MID(C3,2,8))/560000,IF(A3>1,(MID(C3,2,8))/400000))),0)
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To break it down I am asking the program to determine if the denomination is either less than a dollar, equal to a dollar, or more than a dollar. Once that has been determined then the command MID pulls the eight digits out excluding the block position which when completed would return a number like 11.69 for my example. So to get 12 I ask the program to round the number up.

The following is the formula inserted into cell F2:

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=(MID(C3,2,8))-(((B3-1)*8000)+G2)
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This cell is basically performing the last equation taking the serial number less the sum of position number factored by 8000 plus the total units factored by the number of notes within the unit.

This leaves cell G2 which does the following:

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=IF(A3<1,(E3-1)*672000,IF(A3=1,(E3-1)*560000,IF(A3>1,(E3-1)*400000)))
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This calculation is only relevant to completing the formula. It is basically again evaluating the denomination to determine the number of notes based upon the unit number less 1 unit. Which when you put it all together would look something like this.

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Unfortunately this is the way it would look, Word tables do not seem to be able to handle or possibly understand the commands I shown above for Excel. At this point I am feeling pretty comfortable with the serial number game and hopefully you find the whole thing as intriguing as I did. Though it does beg one question now that I can determine the sheet and unit number what should I do with this information. I think at this

time I better stop before I start hearing that all too familiar theme music and Rod Serling starts his introduction.

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One of the local emissions mentioned in Remembered deals with "coop's notes". Where are they from and what was their use?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Canteen Vouchers are known for the Palace Internment Camp on the Isle of Man. What are the denominations?

ANSWER:

1d, 3d, 6d, 1 shilling and 2 shilling & 6d.

George Slade

ANSWER:

My feeble, uneducated and unworthy attempt to answer is "1 pence, 6 pence, 1 shilling and 2 shilling/6 pence."

Thanks,

John Phipps

ANSWER:

1d, 3d, 6d, 1/-, 2/6.

Myers

ANSWER:

1d 3d 6d 1 2/6 (pg. 182 "Remembered"- Schwan)

John Cheney

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EDITORIAL

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A few comments:

Harold Kroll has sent in scans of his Cremona notes. His are all like mine, with the Star of David. He shows all but the .50 Lire. I was curious to see the serial numbers. The three high denominations (50 - 20 - 10) have three digit numbers, while the 5 and the 1 have four digit serials. The two, however, show a three digit number. This may shoot down my theory regarding the number of notes printed, or Harold could just have a low serial number note. Thanks for sending in the scans.

Speaking of numbers, how about James Haney's article? A lot of work was put into designing the database and it all seems to work. I would think Fred would want a copy for, as witnessed by my attendance in his Summer Seminar class, serials are his thing. James did a great job and I wonder if we can enlist him to try to get photos into the Gram.

And, put this one in the what came in the mail today category. I had seen some War Savings Service pin-backs offered on eBay and as I had not seen the particular ones offered I put in a bid and eventually one. In addition to the one most commonly seen, a blue background with a hand holding a torch there were four others in the lot. All were on a white background and all had the initials W.S.S. at six o'clock. Each of the pins showed a military rank. First was Captain, with two stars and an image of two horizontal bars; the second had three stars and an oak leaf for the rank of Major. Next was a Colonel, four stars here and a chicken (sorry Larry, I mean an eagle) in the center, and the last had a big red star with five small blue stars for General.

The War Savings Service was established in World War I by the government to raise money for the war effort. "Recruits" signed a pledge to use extra income to buy war savings stamps and bonds. They were also encouraged to recruit new members. The pin-back with the torch was the initial pin upon enlistment, and I would think the more stamps/bonds

purchased the higher in rank one would go and thus earn the corresponding pin-back. It must have been a nice incentive for the youth of the day, not to mention the benefits to the war effort.

Please feel free to comment further.

And..

Two former clergymen decided to be partners in a fish-n-chips stand. A salesman approached one of them, asking, Are you the Fish Friar? No, he said, Im the Chip Monk!

Question: Does a successful wedding go off without a hitch?

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Dear Editor,

May I humbly submit that both John Phipps and The Myers are in error in their answers to a recent question:

On 28 September 2011 Spink offered the following lot:

Services Nationaux Francais des Nouvelles Hebrides, a set of the emergency World War II issued in 1943 and comprising 5 francs, serial number 14426, green and blue, Cross of Lorraine top centre, value in blue within wreath of palms at centre, 20 francs, serial number 03986, value in black at centre, 100 francs, serial number 2051, value in pale blue at centre, 500 francs, serial number 1235, value in orange at centre and 1000 francs, serial number 1070, value in red at centre, all ND (1943-1944) (Pick 1, 2, 3, 3A, 3B, Kolsky 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, Schwan-Boling 1701b, 1702b, 1703b, 1704, 1705, the last two unknown according to author), small black rectangular handstamp at top right on reverse 'SERVICE DU TRESOR NOUVELLES HEBRIDES ANNULE', of the highest rarity, only 5000 of the 100 francs printed and only 1500 of the 500 and 1000 francs printed. Kolsky states the 1000 were all 'rembourss'. An exceptional set, fresh and original, soft crease on the 100 at centre otherwise uncirculated (5) 34,000-38,000

On the day the lot was passed-in, if I recall correctly, but presumably the 500F and 1000F are resident in someones collection. They are certainly not unknown.

Dr K.A. Rodgers

Dear Editor,

I have a partial set of notes, missing the .50 L.; seem to the same description as yours. Have included scans for you to compare.

Harold Kroll

[The following was sent in by Herb Friedman]

[Dear Herb]

My x and I were stationed on Okinawa years ago. While there I began collecting paper money at the VFW. I have not actively collected since but I've always been interested and jump at the chance to drag out my collection to anyone that will sit still. I have a few pieces I am very proud of, and from what I read about on your site I've learned more about. I have one piece that was like those that were dropped from C130's I think your article said. It still has the note attached to the side. I have a few sets of MPC and have not learned exactly when they were used. I have some nice pieces of A and B yen. What I have mainly is memories and amazing pieces of history. I'd like to connect with others to learn more about what it is I have, and maybe add to my collection a tiny bit. I seem to be most interested in military related pieces.

I enjoyed your site a great deal, and have a lot more to read there.

Sincerely,

Barbara McCown

I was on Okinawa too. How did you get your propaganda piece?

I have a friend who has a little newsletter all about military currency. I will send this to Fred and perhaps he will add you to the list.

Herb

[Of course, Barbara was invited to subscribe]

Dear Editor,

Thanks Roger, I'm looking forward to it!

Barbara

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Fanton has been a coin collector for more than 55 years and a full-time coin dealer since 1999. A certified coin grader, he owns BEs Coins in Hiawatha, Iowa.

He began teaching introductory and grading courses at the ANA Summer Seminar in 1995 and taught almost every year since. Dedicated to the ANAs educational mission and outreach programs, Fanton makes numismatic presentations to more than 1,000 students annually.

An ANA life member since 1989, Fanton also belongs to the Central States Numismatic Society and several Iowa coin clubs, including the Hiawatha Coin Club (which he started in 2004), the Waterloo/Cedar Falls Coin Club and the Iowa Numismatic Association.

He has been named an ANA Outstanding District Delegate (1994, 1998), Adult Advisor of the Year (1998) and Outstanding Club Representative (2002); he also has served on the ANA Board of Governors (2005-07) and chaired the ANA Education Committee (1993-96). He was honored as a Numismatic News Numismatic Ambassador in 2003. The ANA awarded him an honorary Doctorate of Numismatics at its 2011 Summer Seminar.

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[Brian is a Fester and a Seminarian, and was awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Numismatics degree at the 2011 Summer Seminar. Congratulations Brian!- Ed.]

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

What bank did the "Peeking Provisional Government" establish?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

One of the local emissions mentioned in Remembered deals with "coop's notes". Where are they from and what was their use?

ANSWER:

Cooperative credit notes of Zagora in Volos Greece. Coop members could buy goods on credit from shop keepers with coop's notes and the shop keepers would be paid by the coop in the following autumn of the crop season. Coop members would have the amount of the notes they were given deducted from the value of the products they contributed to the coop in the autumn. There are 100, 500, 1000, 5000, 10,000, 50,000 drachmai notes.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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I have an interest in Winterhilfswerk notes and have been able to collect a number of them over time. I recently saw offered on eBay, a 1942/1943 10 rmk piece offered for sale. The corner was cut, which is not unusual, and the note appeared to be in collectible condition. What put me off was the \$99 Buy-it-Now price. The amount quoted didn't seem too unreasonable as Harold Kroll lists a cancelled price of \$120 for this issue in his book, but it just did not fit the condition of the note. There were corner issues and I detected some folding. I thought about it for a while but decided to pass. The note has since gone off sale and I assume it did not sell. While searching for other notes, I came across some listings for WHW postcards and noticed that there seemed to be a month set. I went to Remembered first and saw the illustration on page 490. (Fred calls these semi postal cards) Going back to Harold's book I saw a number of images on pages 33 and 34 and saw that some of the monthly set cards were listed. Now, I like complete sets if I can get them, and type sets if that is not possible. It looked very possible to acquire a complete set of the monthly issues. I did more looking and managed to come up with six

different cards. Five have already arrived and the sixth is on the way from Germany. I also found an example of a post cancelled (dated 12.1.1941) card featuring a man holding a hammer and a soldier holding a rifle. Harold shows this card on page 33 in the right hand column. The red can I presume would hold food. "Kampfen Rebeiten Opfern" translates to: Work and Fight to Sacrifice. There are other cards featuring individuals

I still look for the notes, and now have added the post cards to my searches.

And...

You know about That Little Old Lady who lived in a Shoe- well, she was not the sole owner because there were strings attached. She also had a stroke that immobilized her left side- but shes all right now. Then she fell into an upholstery machine and amazingly enough came out fully recovered.

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Dear Editor,

With respect to the previous question, the palace internment camp purse I reported on at last years fest had a new denomination for the Palace Camp namely one half pence! See Feller and Feller two now under development

Steve Feller (in Boston working with Ray on the new book)

[Should we expect Book II at Fest XIV? - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I am interested in getting in contact with Barbara McCown in the below item from the last mpcgram, I was also stationed on Okinawa and am interested in the military currency associated with Okinawa. I can be reached at donn@rememberingokinawa.com. I have a lot of photos from Okinawa on my personal website at: www.rememberingokinawa.com and a small amount of info on the currency at http://www.rememberingokinawa.com/page/1945_316th_Bomb_Wing_Kadena

thanks

Donn Cuson

Dear Editor,

I have had a few examples of the Cremona notes over the past years all with the Star of David. I have never seen one without the star and signed by the Comandente. They are commonly found water stained like the ones mentioned. As to authenticity, I believe that that is still controversial. I have seen some that show moderate circulation, but that is not necessarily a proof that they were used. I have serial numbers with three digits for the 2, 5, 10, and 20 Lire and 4 digits for the 1 Lire.

Dave Frank

Dear EsteemedEditorof the MPCgram,

Before attending the Warner Robins Coin Club Show on July 27 and 28, we had some extra time and went to the Museum of Aviation. I was quite impressed with the museum and thought that some of the Gramsters that drive to either of the FUN Shows might find this to be an interesting stop in-route since it is only a few minutes off of I-75. So here are the details: The Museum of Aviation in Warner Robins, Georgia is one of the largest aviation museums in the United States and a major Air Force Heritage, Exhibit and Education Center in the Southeast. Admission is free and the museum is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Day and is located 10 miles east of I-75 Exit 144 at the end of Russell Parkway. Much more information at <http://www.museumofaviation.org/>

Thanks,

John Phipps

Dear Editor,

I am looking for the \$20 661 replacement note. If you know who might sell this note, please let me know. Thanks

Thieu

[The email was sent to Fred who forwarded it to the Gram. I do not know who Thieu is, but if you have the note in question, send your reply into the Gram - Ed.]

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Hi Philippine and WWII Book Collectors,

1. The Philippine Collectors Forum meeting in Philadelphia is set for 1-5PM on Friday, 10 August, in ROOM 105B during the ANA Worlds Fair of Money at the Philadelphia Convention Center. We have several excellent presentations for the meeting. Roger Urce will give his talk on the Culion Leper Colony (CLC) series that was well received at the Memphis PCF. I will add some additional CLC tidbits that have not been known or presented before. John Riley who led the Memphis PCF will provide interesting observations of that meeting. Neil Shafer is planning to attend and I hope he can add some observations on the recent Dr. Pineda auction. (Note: refer to the August Bank Note Reporter (pages 90-94) where Neil wrote on the Pineda auction results). As usual there will be Show and Tell and plenty of door prizes. Plan to attend this outstanding educational affair.

2. I received an apology from the Numismatist editor, Barbara Gregory today. The August issue of that magazine just came out this week and was

supposed to include John Riley's writeup on the Memphis PCF meeting which was held on 10 June and which featured Dr. Pineda's discussion of his outstanding collection. However, the writeup fell through the cracks and will be featured in the September issue of the Numismatist.

3. For you Philippine Guerilla and Emergency Note collectors don't miss the July 2012 issue of Bank Note Reporter (pages 101-105), where Neil Shafer continued his documentation of Cagayan Province issues. Generally, this supplements Neil's 1974 book on the subject.

4. I finally finished all but two invoices for book Mailbid XVII today (working on shipping options). A revised copy of Prices Realized (Excel Format) is attached. There are still 53 lots that received NO BID (NB). Those are available at the MINIMUM. As usual, I will mail out shipments in order of payments received.

5. I have started receiving consignments for my next Mailbid XVIII. This will be a full sale of more WWII books, Philippine coins, tokens & medals(lots), US/PI currency, JIM, Republic currency, and stamps. If you wish to consign please ship to me by 31 August. My charge is 15% only if a lot sells. I hope to send this mailbid out in late Fall.

6. I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, the popular 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$22. It contains photos for grading Philippine coins and photos of many varieties listed in the catalog.

7. I have received the 2012 7th Edition of US/Philippine Coins. Mr. Culhane has added a Spanish section to the catalog. The grading descriptions were deleted and no photos of varieties are included so you will need to refer back to the 6th edition for those. Cost of the new edition is \$28 Postpaid in the USA.

8. I also have available: "History and Mintage Philippine Counterstamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, MD. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counterstamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate.

8. I have restocked my supply of the professionally made blue Philippine coin albums. Please contact me for price and availability of specific albums. There are now ten albums starting with the Spanish series through the Republic series.

Thank you,

Ray Czahor

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The World's Fair of Money.

by Bill Rosenblum

We will have a Bourse Table (#333) at the upcoming American Numismatic Association's World's Fair of Money. The show will be held at the Philadelphia Convention Center (Halls A & B) 1101 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA August 7-11. The public show hours are 10 to 5:30 Tuesday through Friday and 10 to 4 on Saturday and either Rita or I should be at the table during all public hours.

We will have a nice selection of world and ancient coins along with medals, tokens and banknotes with an emphasis on our speciality: Numismatics of the Holy Land and the Jewish People from Ancient to Modern Times. However because there will be no Post Office Facility at the show itself we will be very limited in the amount of inventory we will be bringing with us. Although we expect to sell quite a lot of material the ANA show is typically one of our big buying shows of the year and we hope to be returning to Colorado with new stock and inventory. Therefore if there are items that you might like to see, please contact us as soon as possible and we will make every effort to bring those items with us.

We will not be bringing heavy, large or bulky items nor will we be able carry much, if any, in the way of Odd and Curious Money. However we hope to bring some items from Part Two of the New York Collection

which will be auctioned off later this year or early in 2013.

As always we will be interested in buying new inventory as well as securing consignments for an upcoming auction.

So weather you are interested in buying, selling or consigning please stop by and see us. And we are always looking forward to saying hello to old friends and meeting new ones.

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What bank did the "Peeking Provisional Government" establish?

ANSWER:

My humble answers to the question, "What bank did the "Peeking Provisional Government" establish?," is the Peking-Tientsin Joint Reserve Bank.

Thanks,

John Phipps

ANSWER:

Federal Reserve Bank.

Myers

ANSWER:

The Central Reserve Bank of China (CRB) was formed about 1 Jan 1941 or 6 Jan 1941.

John Cheney

We have three different banks mentioned as answers. I took the question from page 695 in Remembered. It says there that the bank established was the Federal Reserve Bank. Where was the information found for the other two answers?

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EDITORIAL

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This is our pre-ANA issue of the Gram. We will depart tomorrow B&E for Pennsylvania first to do a little antiquing. . We will drive Route 222 to see what we can find and eventually stop for the night in York. The next day we will come back east along Route 30 where we have found a number of interesting places to hunt for treasures.

We will be at the show on Thursday and Friday and for part of Saturday when we will head back home.

This years' show has a number of events of interest to Festers. Bill Myers will give a presentation"A Handful of Symbolism: Discover the Message behind Hands Depicted on Coins, Notes. There is also the philippine Collector's Forum described in our feature article by ray Czahor and no doubt a mini fest will break out. If you are planning to attend you can also come to the IBNS meeting and many of the other scheduled events. Go the the ANA website, www.money.org for details.

You can also expect a Gram or possible two from the show.

How was the show in Canada?

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Dear Editor,

Thanks for running ANA article on my award.

Brian E.Fanton

[You are welcome - it is well deserved]

Dear Editor,

The "red can" is the ubiquitous donation can that could be found on virtually every street corner in Germany between 1933 and 1945. They came in a couple of different styles but were originally painted red. The name of the city where originally used can be found along the bottom of the can. Some had a little lock while other models were simply secured with a wire seal. Each can has a mechanism in the lid to amplify the noise of coins being dropped and a small hole where paper money could be inserted. They're available periodically on eBay Germany and from dealers, usually someplace around \$100 to \$125. Cans with an original WHW paper label are worth a premium and seldom encountered.

Wendell Wolka

[Dear Wendell, I had to laugh my suggestion that the can pictured on the postcards looked like a lunch pail. The image did remind me of the lunch pails carried by construction workers back "in the day" when I was growing up in New York City. Thanks for the clarification -Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Is the newsletter still being published? What are the best resources to learn about MPCs?

Thank you,

Gerard Smith

[Dear Gerald - it is and your email address has been added to our subscriber list - Ed]

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Scenic Route to the ANA,

by Bill and Kathy Myers Kathy and I left a few days early for the ANA and did some touring. We started in Washington, DC. We toured the BEP. We were able to observe the printing process. There was a link to WWII Numismatics. In the waiting area for the tours they had several banners and one of them was titled "1940s: War" The text read " Bureau of Engraving and Printing personnel reaches 8,400 and employees produce 195 billion items for the war effort, including 7.3 billion currency notes, 1.2 billion securities, and 182 billion stamps." There was a picture showing a room full of women inspecting notes and the caption was "Processing Allied Military Currency for the War Effort. c1944". There were also several 1929 Federal Reserve Bank Notes in an exhibit including a \$50 specimen. I did not check the serial numbers to see if they were WWII notes. Not a single MPC was exhibited.

We then went next door to the U.S. Holocaust Museum. It was mostly WWII related but the only numismatic reference was two notes from Thereisenstadt Ghetto. It was very interesting and complemented what we had seen and learned during our tour of Europe last summer.

The next day in DC we started at the World War II Memorial. It was nice to see and we were able to go on a tour of the monument run by the National Park Rangers. We were the only two interested in the tour. We learned alot about the memorial and even earned where "Kilroy was here" is engraved in the memorial. There was one numismatic reference. There are 12 bas relief sculptures at the memorial and one of them is a Savings Bond parade and there is a sign carried by a Boy Scout that says "Buy War Bonds".

We then went to the Navy Yard and went to the National Museum of the US Navy. You need a military ID to get on the yard but the AAA says you can get on without one if you give them 24 hrs notice. The large museum covered the entire history of the Navy, but we spent most of our time in the World War II section which had a Pacific side and Atlantic side.

There were a decent number of numismatic references. There was a picture of a submarine in the Philippines loading gold, silver and securities to be taken out of the country, a Philippine Rizal Monument 1 peso note labeled as money paid to POWs, a 30 foot short snorter, a copy of a \$100 War Bond in a War Bond Booth (made out to Mr & Mrs America, Everywhere, USA) , Ration books, stamps & tokens, 3 chits, a 10 cents Defense Stamp Album, two 10 lire Italian notes brought back as souvenirs, French Equatorial Africa 25 francs note with "Dakar, Jan 29, 1943, escorted Richelieu and Montcalm" and souvenirs from a sailor stationed in Brazil which included a 2 mil reis and 1, 2 and 5 cruzeiros notes (I believe these are WWII notes). There were several large military items outside the museum, including a gun from "The Maine" and there is a ship at the dock to tour, but it was closed so we could not go on board.

The next day we drove to Ft Meade, MD. We stopped at the nearby National Cryptological Museum just outside the NSA. There was a section of the museum dedicated to WWII and it gave the history of the enigma machines from Germany and how the codes were broken, as well as the Japanese coding machines red and purple. The only WWII related numismatic item was a modern silver coin from Poland that commemorated the Poles breaking the enigma code in 1938. In the section on Viet Nam there was a note with Ho Chi Minh on it. The next stop was Ft Meade where they have a museum detailing the history of the base. There was a section of WWII. A large

number of soldiers were trained (including over 200,000 cooks and bakers) as well as deactivated at Ft Meade. There was a case about the POW camp that was on base that housed German and Italian prisoners. There were some artifacts but no chits. We inquired about the POW camp and it is now a football field, which I was able to visit as it was not far from the museum. There are several bridges over a creek that were built by the POWs. I locate the closest one and there was a cement tablet etched on it that read "Hoe opus captivi germanici perfecerunt AD MCMXLVI" (This work performed by German prisoners of war 1946).

We headed to Philadelphia the next day. We went to the Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank to see the exhibit "The Color of Money". It has a lot of interactive exhibits and only one case of coins and notes. There were a variety of coins and notes but none of them had anything to do with World War II and the same was true of the exhibits.

It is now Monday and we took the self-guided tour of the US Mint. They have two floors of exhibits which were interesting. The only Military Numismatic item was a 1943 steel cent. On the third floor is where the mint tour was. They had displays along the wall and you could look down at the mint producing coins. This tour has only been open for about a month and was worth going to. We did see Joe Boling at the mint. In the afternoon we ran over to set up my exhibits, both World War II related. On the way into the convention center we met David and Judy Seelye. At the exhibit area we saw Brett Irick, Wendell Wolka and on the way out we ran into John & Nancy Wilson. Tomorrow we will be at the show and will send further reports.

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ANSWER:

Albania (Axis & Allied), Mexico, Italy, Guadeloupe, New Caledonia and possibly the Netherlands if you count travellers checks.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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The trip down was quite pleasant and we were able to visit a number of antique shops and malls. Most were not crowded and it was an easy time searching. In this part of Pennsylvania as you would expect there are a lot of railroad and civil war related items such as old bullets, guns, uniforms and the like. We also saw some display cases with German military items, mostly arm bands and metal badges along with some uniform items. There was one or two displays that had some common German notes. There were also a good number of cases with coins but most were common US issues. I did manage to find a 1942 one franc coin from France and a plastic page filled with 2x2 holders, all with foreign coins. They were marked at 40 cents each but as it turned out that was not the price and no one could come up with a cost, so back it went into the case. I came across two tinnies, one for the WSS for 1918 and one for the Fourth Liberty Loan that pictured a flag. One store had two cases containing red and blue OPA tokens and I asked to take a look hoping I would find the red "MV" piece needed to complete my set. Judging by the other items in the cases it did not appear the seller was familiar with the pieces. I had a good look but came up empty.

Thanks to Bill and Kathy for the initial show report. Bill also says there is a minifest right after the IBNS meeting and there may be an issue of notes.

We will head over to the bourse in the morning.

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Dear Editor,

I have some observations on Summer Seminar:

This year Military Numismatists occupied Camp Adna Wilde and successfully completed the Military Numismatics course at the ANA Summer Seminar. You have read several reports in the GRAM. I'd like to make some additional observations. There were eight students in this years Basic and Advanced Classes. There were five students in the Basic Class and four of them had Military Numismatic scholarships thanks to the generosity of Festers and Gramsters. There were three people in the Advanced Class. One was on a partial ANA scholarship. It is clear that scholarship programs are a vital component of the Military Numismatics training effort at Summer Seminar.

Notably, there we no YNs taking the class this year. We need to encourage YNs. There is plenty of scholarship money for YNs. (The YN auctions made over \$60,000 this year.)

Attached is a class photo. Notice the World War II banners hanging in the background. Fred brought about eight banners and we hung them around the room for atmosphere. Also, two banners were hung out side the classroom to make sure everyone knew we were there.

The Thursday night banquet was in a college theater that included a catwalk around the inside walls. Fred hung banners there as well. And, as usual, Fred challenged the entire banquet room and an impressive number had challenge coins.

As all GRAMsters know, one of the opportunities at FEST and Summer Seminar is to purchase Military Fest Bonds. These Bonds are sold to promote world peace, promote the study and collecting of military numismatica, and for the amusement of collectors. Purchase of Bonds directly affects the integrity and stability of the MFC currency system and hence the success of FEST and Summer Seminar. Series 12 bonds were available at this Summer Seminar. This series features a vignette of our GRAM Editor, Roger Urce. For the first time at FEST or Summer Seminar we had 100% participation in the bond drive. Every student bought at least one bond. Congratulations to all.

Warner Talso

Dear Editor,

A couple of corrections, please:

The correct address for information pertaining to the World's Fair of Money is: www.WorldsFairofMoney.com

The correct address for information pertaining to the National Money Show is: NationalMoneyShow.com.

Thank you,

Jake Sherlock

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HAROLD KROLL WINS NUMISMATIC LITERARY GUILD BEST SPECIALIZED BOOK AWARD
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Dan and Kathy Freeland's letter was the first we received this morning when we opened Yahoo mail to check for incoming Gram messages. They had already emailed Harold and his reply is below in Mail Call. Congratulations and well done Harold! The award is well deserved.

That was this morning's news but let me go back to yesterday and bring you up to date with the goings on at the show. My first stop was at Davw Seelye's table since the bourse floor was still a bit empty as many of the dealers had not yet opoened their tables. Dave remarked there were quite a few empty tables and it appeared these dealers never showed up. We chatted a bit while I finished my coffee and then I went off in search of some of the World War II coins that are memtioned in Remembered. I foujnd the table of Tom and Dawn Rose with whom I had done a little business with at last year's show in Chicago. The were originally recommended bhy Bill Myers and I found number of pieces.

After leaving the table I met with Neil and Joel Shafer. Now, if you recall, I did not get anything from the magic brown briefcase in Memphis because I did not act quickly enough. This time Neil had brought some propaganda pieces for me to look at and I am bringing home three. Two were dropped by the German, one dealt with the siege at Monte Cassino and the other with the Anzio landings during the Italian Campaign. The third was an anti Semitic Safe Conduct pass dropped over Soviet troops by the Germans.

After visiting with Neil and Joel for a bit I was on my way to the exhibit area and in passing the table of Constantin Marinescu I saw a philatelic cover which had Malayan stamps over-printed with "BMA MALAYA". There were four denominations, all different colors, and the postmark was post war, 1947. The color and style appealed to me so I bought the piece. Also the case was a letter in the style of US V-Mail from Konzentrationslager Auschwitz which had a Hitler head 12rpf stamp and an Auschwitz postmark dated 15.4.43. The letter, written in pencil and in German, is address to a Frau Marie Pec and, from what I can decipher, was sent to an address in Bohemia Monrovia. After adding this little piece of history to my briefcase I finally made it over to the exhibit area.

The exhibits related to military numismatics were: There was a ten case display containing a complete collection of Confederate Paper Money; a two case display with tokens used in current overseas military operations containing AAFES pogs and CFPSA tokens from Canada; an exhibit on the 1870 Prussian Iron Cross medal; a Notgeld exhibit entitled "A Journey Through Post WW I Germany"; Money of the US Civil War and one on the Russian Coins of Conquest dealing with the Great Northern War in Scandinavia. Bill Myers had two exhibits. The first was story of a 3rd printing Series 481 50 cent replacment note and the second described World War II foreign coins made in the US from shell casing metal. I found it interesting that small denomination coins from seven countries were minted in this manner. While looking at the exhibits and taking some notes I met with the Master Sergeant Daniel and we chatted about his upcoming research and book on Cambodian numismatics and some Vietnamese coins minted in 1945 just after the war ended and when Ho Chi Minh declared Viet Nam independent. I plan to do a little research on these coins and hopefully add some examples to my Viet Nam collection.

A number of us decided to meet at 1900 for dinner; see my Editorial below.

I arrived at the bouse this morning around nine or so and walked the floor looking for whatever caught my eye. Finding nothing that screamed "take me home" I wound up at David's table where I met with Dave Frank. We had both decided to attend the Society of Ration Token Collectors meeting. At the meeing, hosted by Don Kolkman, we met Bill Meyers, Kathy

and Dan Freeland and Loretta and Dick Freyser. The first show and tell, or more properly tell, was by Ken Hallenbeck who told us he had purchased a set of letter punches and while doing some experimenting he was able to restamp red "MM" OPA tokens to make them into the rarer "MV" tokens. Now Ken was not offering these to the hobby, but wanted to make us aware that it could be done and to be wary of fakes. The real red "MV" OPA tokens sell in the \$300 range. Next was a book entitled PETROL RATIONING IN AUSTRALIA by George Shea. The book is detailed and well illustrated and can be found at www.prestigephilately.com and is priced at AUD34.50.

In one of the reports on the last Fest, mention was made of a blue token which was in one of the auction lots which was won by Harold Kroll. Don had the token with him and we were able to get a close up look. It is about the size of a quarter, maybe a little smaller, and is blue in color. On one side is the numeral "1" with the wording "RATION POINT BLUE". Around the circumference the wording reads "OPA FAIR SHARE FOR ALL". The other side bears the wording "PAY NO MORE THAN CEILING PRICE" and the number "4". Speculation is the token was a considered design that was never adopted and may be one of four, or more, different designs considered as denoted by the small numeral 4. More research needs to be done for this very interesting piece.

Now for the past year or so, whenever Dave Frank and I meet at an event, he brings an item or two out of his backpack to see if I might have an interest. It is almost getting to the point of his backpack taking on some of the magical qualities of Neil's briefcase. This time there were two pieces, both Winterhilfswerk related.

First was a note for RM 2 from 1940/41. The front has the wording "Meine Gpende" with a box beneath with "Rm" and then a blank space for the amount to be filled in, in this case "2" in pencil. Beneath it states "zum letzten opferfonntag im 2. Kreigs - WHW" with the date below. The back has a picture, more like a drawing, of Hitler holding a Nazi flag with the wording: "Unfer Schwur: Alles fur Deutchland!" Some of the letters are not in the normal script, so what I am saying is an "f" may be and "s". I will go to my translator in my other computer when I get home to get it right. Dave had never seen the piece or anything like it before and neither had I. Comments are welcome.

The next piece was a WHW token for 50 groschen. One side bore that wording while the other side features a swastika and "N.S.D.A.P" (The Nationalist Party) and "HITLERBEWEGUNG". I'll look this one up and get it translated and add it to the other piece I have.

I had a quick cup of coffee and was off to the Philippine Collector's Forum for my presentation on Culion Leper Colony Currency. We had about ten members in attendance and after my lecture Ray Czahor had some additional information on the varieties for the 1927 peso issue which included an example with denticles around the inner circumference on both sides of the coin. Why this coin was minted in this manner is currently

unknown, and, as far as it can be determined, the coin is unique as no other examples are know. Ray also told of a presentation set of Culion Colony notes and provided photocopies. This is an interesting story and will be the subject of a future Gram article. As part of the raffle at the conclusion souvenir notes were given to all paricipants. The notes were the same as those presented in Memphis, the only difference being, these were serialized in red by hand and the stamp of the back read "PCF" "ANA"

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EDITORIAL

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Danny Spungen, Dave and Julie Frank, Dave and Judy Seelye along with Rita and Bill Rosenblum and Wendy and I met for dinner. We opted for Greek only to find he restaurant was closed for a private party. We ended up at a supper club where the wait staff not served our food and drinks but entertained us in song along with the piano player and drummer. Dinner

took a while, but we are on vacation and were in no hurry so we had lots of time for conversation and fellowship. And, if you know Danny you know how outgoing and funny he can be; It was a very enjoyable dinner.

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Dear Editor,
Dan and I just returned from the NLG Bash (Numismatic Literary Guild) and are happy to announce that Harold Kroll won the Best Specialized Book Award in the World Paper Money category for World War II Paper Money and Financial Instruments of Nazi Germany.
Congratulations Harold!
Dan and Kathy Freeland

Dan & Kathy
WOW!!!!!!!!!!
Thank yo so much for the news, I'm elated that the book was bestowed such an honor. This is something that was not even in my thinking 10 years ago. Many thanks goes to Fred for his tenacity keeping me focused on this endeavor and the many hours he devoted in accomplishing the completion of this project.
Cheers,
Harold Kroll

Dear Harold,
Boling has the plaque.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
Thought you might enjoy the attached article on WWII coins and currency, which I sold to World at War Magazine. Sadly, it can't be reprinted in or for MPC... but it might be worth a mention. It's on the stands right now.
Best regards,
Bill Leslie
[Dear Bill, Thanks for sending it in. I'll refer our readers to the magazine; the article is worth the read - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Where is the class photo that Warner mentioned in his letter? I can not find it.
Also, he said that "Series 12 bonds were available at this Summer Seminar. This series features a vignette of our GRAM Editor, Roger Urce." I do not recall any bonds with a vignette of Roger. Had I seen any, I definitely would have bought one of those rather than the one I did (Series 13).
I found the attachment at the very end (after much blank space), but it did not open up to a photo.
Ken Berger

[Dear Ken, We are still trying to get photos over to the website and we still need to come up with a reliable way to include them in the Gram - Ed]

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Conclusion

We arrived at the bourse after nine, having given into the temptation to sleep in a little. Activity was slow which gave me the chance to visit with Bill and Rita Rosenblum,. Bill had just picked up an album with various postcard and propaganda pieces and I found an interesting unused Italian post card with a stamp from

Gerusalemme. Being Italian I had an interest and Bill said he would get back to me once he had a chance to go through the whole album.

I next went over to see Leon Thornton as I had not had the chance to do so before. Leon had sent a good portion of his stock home, but I did meet Bill Myers who was looking for some bargains in the junk box. Bill had gone to the ANA Banquet and showed me examples of the Convention Certificates that were on all the tables.

There were four notes honoring Prue and Arthur Fitts winners of the 2012 Farran Zerbe Award. The one featured the obverse of the Zerbe medal while the two honored Prue Fitts. Arthur Fitts was pictured on the four and the seven showed the obverse of the 2012 ANA Convention medal. The back of the note listed all the Farran Zerbe Award winners. I was able to trade Bill a couple of my duplicates for the set.

The IBNS meeting was next on the schedule and I gave a short presentation on the Culion Leper notes to those in attendance. Immediately following was a show-and-tell as part of the mini fest meeting. There were some interesting items and a new discovery by Joe Boling for Remembered. I'm going to ask those who were present to send in a little blurb about what they showed us. Travel pay in the form of a \$5 Military Fest Certificate with a sticker on the front denoting the the show and an American flag stamp on the back and was issued to all even to those without pay books.

We said our goodbyes and were off on the road home after a trip to the Reading Market for some lunch and snacks for the ride.

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The lack of world paper money dealers at this show was somewhat disappointing but as I mentioned perviously, I was able to find a couple of notes that filled some holes. I would very much have liked to see the note offered to Leon Thornton. It was an issue from the Gilbert and Ellice Islands. According to Leon it was in excellent condition and had a price tag of \$12,000. He did not tell me the denomination and I don't know that he even noticed what it was. He said had the note been offered for \$8000 he would have considered buying it. Remembered shows a price of \$1100 in VF, but that was in 1995. These are "tough" notes to find and when you do find them it is an event. I would have liked to talk to the owner of the note just to see how it came into his hands and why (besides the obvious reason) he wanted to sell it. Me thinks he might not have been a collector, but he certainly knew what he had and that it was valuable.

Lastly, some house keeping: I spoke with John Wilson in Philadelphia and he will have an updated calendar for the Gram in the near future. In the meantime, we have listed the November PCDA National Coin and currency

show in Chicago. I have been told there will be some outstanding world notes available in the auction. I am planning to attend.

And...

This fellow had as his job serving as umpire for a youth baseball team on which his own boy was playing. He carried out his duties in a very harsh and difficult way, scaring most of the team most of the time. At home he seemed to be calm and peaceful. One day he asked the youngster to come on his lap, but this request was absolutely refused. Why? Because the son never sits on the brutish umpire!

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Dear Editor,

Rita and I add our congratulations to Harold Kroll

Bill Rosenblum

Dear Editor,

Just a clarification. That CLC coin with denticles was a 1927 One Centavo, combination of Type III Obverse and Type I reverse.

Ray Czahor

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Today we feature two articles dealing with MPC. The first is by Carlson Chambliss on estimated populations of MPC (and he also has an ad for his book in the Post Exchange Section) and the second is a follow up by James Haney.

ESTIMATED POPULATIONS OF SCARCER MPCs

by Carlson R. Chambliss

Some time ago I did make estimates or rather "guesstimates" of the total populations of the rarer varieties of MPCs. For several years Douglas Bell has been conducting a census of all recorded MPCs, but his data are clearly not complete. Actually we will never obtain a complete census of all MPCs, but my estimate for this total is something like 500,000. Most of these, however, are not currently in numismatic collections, and it seems likely that things will stay that way. I expect that there are easily 100,000 Series 641 notes around but the majority of these are very widely dispersed. As things now stand, however, there are already quite enough Series 641 MPCs around to satisfy any possible demand for these items from series collectors.

Among the normally issued MPCs the rarest of these certainly include five of the \$5 notes (Series 471, 472, 521, 541, and 591) and three of the \$10 notes (Series 541, 591, and 661). Traditionally the Series 471 \$5 note has been regarded as the rarest of the \$5 notes, but that is certainly not the case for notes in circulated grades. Douglas Bell's census actually lists fewer Series 591 \$5 notes than Series 541, but based on auction appearances and price realizations Series 541 is the rarer of the two. Series 471 comes in only third in this competition, but it is extremely rare in strictly CU grade. My estimates for the total populations of the five rarest of the regularly issued \$5 MPCs are:

Series 471	250	Series 472	400	Series 521	350	Series 541	150	Series 591	200
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For a given series of MPCs it is the penultimate denomination that is usually the scarcest. The highest denomination (\$10 for all of the earlier series) was generally issued in much larger quantities, since there were no \$20s, \$50s, or \$100s to allow for making sizeable purchases with MPCs, and thus there was a great need to the top value of a given set.

For the \$10 MPCs three series stand out as being decidedly scarce. These are Series 541, 591, and 661. My estimates for the total populations of these three \$10 MPCs are as follows:

Series 541	325	Series 591	350	Series 661	400
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Series 541 and 591 \$10 notes are very closely tied for the "honor" of being the scarcest of the \$10 MPCs. In replacement form Series 591 is somewhat the scarcer of the two, but I feel that this type is slightly more available when total populations are taken into account. All other varieties of regularly issued MPCs have total populations that are well over 500. Although populations of replacement notes usually parallel those of normal notes (at a ratio of very roughly 100 to 1), this doesn't always work for the rarer notes. For instance, the replacement \$5 note of Series 481 is an extreme rarity (only one known), but the normal Series 481 \$5 MPC is one of the more available of the MPCs of this denomination.

I would be interested in any comments on these population estimates, and if you feel that I am significantly "off" on any of them, please do let me know. My email address is crchamblis@verizon.net (one "s")

In terms of relative abundances I did publish a few weeks ago my estimates for these. For the three higher denominations of MPCs the \$20 MPCs are a "no-brainer." The line-up is Series 661 - 692 - 681 from scarcest to most abundant. For some time circulated \$20 notes of Series 681 were available for well under face value, although that is no longer the case.

For the \$10 notes Series 641 is by far the most abundant by a very wide margin. As has already been noted, what is the rarest of the \$10s is a very close race between Series 541 and 591. Series 461 \$10 notes were printed in huge quantities, and there are still a large number of these around. It is a bit difficult to compare populations of early notes such as Series 461 with those of much later ones such as Series 681, but my estimated rarity scale for \$10 MPCs is as follows: Series 541 - 591 - 661 - 471 - 611 - 521 - 651 - 692 - 472 - 481 - 681 - 461 - 641

The \$5 notes include the rarest varieties of normally issued MPCs. At the other end of the scale there is somewhat of a toss-up between Series 641 and 661 for the "title" of most abundant. Certainly Series 661 is much the most abundant in CU grade, but it is not especially common in grades of F-VF or VF-XF. Thus I suspect that the total population of Series 641 \$5 notes actually exceeds that of Series 661. My line-up for \$5 MPCs in terms of scarcity is as follows:

Series 541 - 591 - 471 - 521 - 472 - 611 - 481 - 651 - 461 - 692 - 681 - 661 - 641

Any comments that you have on these rankings can be sent to me directly at the email address given above.

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MPC: A Numbers Game

by James Haney

I simplified the cells hopefully the pasted TXT below will be a little more understandable since the cell info previously just came out as a string.

When I received my copy of the Comprehensive Catalog of Military Payment Certificates by Fred Schwan I was delighted by one number and intrigued

by another. The former was the fact that my favorite series of MPC to collect, that being series 681, was ordered in 1968 the same year I was born. The latter was in regards to what the serial number could tell you in conjunction with the position number about any MPC note you have in your collection.

In reading the book I discovered that the first two digits of the three digit series number tells you the year an issue was ordered. The third digit represents the series order that year. So again using my favorite series 681 it breaks down as follows: 1968 series order 1. It does seem there are exceptions to the rule and maybe I missed the explanation in my first reading. The example I actually own is the second printing of the series 681 twenty dollar note since it was ordered in 1969. So should this note not be series 691, but wait there is a series 691 and it was ordered in 1967. As you can probably guess if you have not read the book that my example is not the only exception. Also I am not here to dispute the system again I like it, if for anything 681 being 1968.

The other item was not so easy to fathom but piqued my interest. It was the idea that every sheet position consisted of 8000 notes. Just that little bit of information had me breaking out my calculator to see how it fit with the notes that I already had. Much to my dismay though it only seemed to work for two of my notes. The two notes that worked were \$0.05 notes position 53 and 57 respectively, but I had with a position number 59 with a serial number 627,628 less than position 53. I thought am I missing something?

I kept reading though I glossed over one very important item the unit number. This did not hit home until I had the opportunity to take the Military Numismatics Since 1930 class put on by both Fred Schwan and Joe Boling held during session II of the summer seminars at the ANA in Colorado Springs. It was during one of the lectures that unit number finally had a meaning and now I could put the pieces together.

I already knew for each position there were 8000 notes, but what I was missing was that there are 8000 sheets to a unit which means for fractional notes 672,000 notes per unit. So using fractional notes for our hypothetical example there are 84 positions starting with serial number 00000001 for position 1 and then the last note will be position 84 with a serial number of 00672000. Of course I am omitting the block prefix and suffix for this discussion, though if you like series 681 like I do just mentally add a C on the front and for the rear hey that is optional since leaving it off just makes the serial number that much more special. Again I digress since block letters are not what is important here. The real key is that unit 2 will start with 00672001 for position 1 and continue on for another 672,000 notes and so on and so forth with each consecutive unit.

So that is how I could have a note with a position number 59 having a serial number less than a note with a position number of 53. It was because they were from different units. As for the two notes that did work well they were both from the same unit so their spread was just the difference between the position numbers factored by 8000. As Fred would say repeatedly during our session How cool is that!

If this is not enough you can take it one step further with this information you now have and determine what sheet within its unit your note came from. It is not a lengthy calculation but here is an example using my \$0.05 note position 59 serial number C07860023C:

$$07860023/672000 = 11.69$$

$$11*672000=7392000$$

$$(59-1)*8000=464000$$

$$07860023-(7392000+464000) = 4023 \text{ or better yet Sheet } 4,023$$

So now from the serial number I can know what unit my note came from and even narrow it down to the sheet it came from. Of course not being one to let sleeping dogs lie I knew there had to be a way to have Microsoft Excel do this for me and even determine when to use 560,000 in lieu of 672,000 based upon denomination. Yes there are different numbers used since even though there are still only 8000 sheets there are only 70 positions for \$1.00 notes and even less for notes above \$1.00. So instead of pulling out the book every time and punching keys on a calculator Excel seemed the way to go.

To be honest it was not as difficult as you could imagine though I did take some time to streamline the sequence to the point I felt it was good enough to share. I set up seven columns with the following headings:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Denomination	Position	Serial	Cond.	Unit	Sheet
ShtCalc						
2						

Cells A2 through D2 are simple fill in the blanks though A2 through C2 are important in providing the information needed to determine both the unit and sheet. G2 is simply a calculation used in completing the formula for F2. So for a point of reference I will fill in the table based upon the note I used above.

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		A		B		C		D		E		F		G	
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	1		Denomination		Position		Serial		Cond.		Unit		Sheet		
ShtCalc															
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	2		0.05		59		C07860023C		67PPQ						
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The following is the formula inserted into cell E2:

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=ROUNDUP(IF(A3<1,(MID(C3,2,8))/672000,IF(A3=1,(MID(C3,2,8))/560000,IF(A3>1,(MID(C3,2,8))/400000))),0)
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To break it down I am asking the program to determine if the denomination is either less than a dollar, equal to a dollar, or more than a dollar. Once that has been determined then the command MID pulls the eight digits out excluding the block position which when completed would return a number like 11.69 for my example. So to get 12 I ask the program to round the number up.

The following is the formula inserted into cell F2:

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=(MID(C3,2,8))-(((B3-1)*8000)+G2)
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This cell is basically performing the last equation taking the serial number less the sum of position number factored by 8000 plus the total units factored by the number of notes within the unit.

This leaves cell G2 which does the following:

=IF(A3<1, (E3-1)*672000, IF(A3=1, (E3-1)*560000, IF(A3>1, (E3-1)*400000)))

This calculation is only relevant to completing the formula. It is basically again evaluating the denomination to determine the number of notes based upon the unit number less 1 unit. Which when you put it all together would look something like this.

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		A	B		C			D			E			F			G				
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	1		Denomination				Position				Serial			Cond.			Unit		Sheet		ShtCalc
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	2		0.05			59			C07860023C				67PPQ			12		4023		7392000	
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Unfortunately this is the way it would look, Word tables do not seem to be able to handle or possibly understand the commands I shown above for Excel. At this point I am feeling pretty comfortable with the serial number game and hopefully you find the whole thing as intriguing as I did. Though it does beg one question now that I can determine the sheet and unit number what should I do with this information. I think at this time I better stop before I start hearing that all too familiar theme music and Rod Serling starts his introduction.

James Haney
SVCC, Webmaster

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

According to remembered, what territories made up Italian East Africa?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Emergency notes for the Gilbert and Ellice Islands are believed to have been issued in how many denominations?

ANSWER:

My humble answers to the question, " Emergency notes for the Gilbert and Ellice Islands are believed to have been issued in how many denominations?" is five. You did not ask what the denominations were. I think they are 1, 2, 5, and 10 shillings and 1 pound. I am sure that Gramsters will tell me if I am wrong. Please be gentle!

John Phipps

ANSWER:

1 & 10 shillings, 1 pound.

Myers

ANSWER:

1/ 2/ and 1Pound notes

John Cheney

This is a bit of a trick question. If you look at the notes listed on the bottom of page 215 under the Gilbert and Ellice Islands, you will see values for 1/, 10/ and one pound notes. However, in the text above the chart it says a 2/ note was "struck off on the office duplicator". The report seems to conflict with the memory as Remembered says, BUT, I have a copy of a page from the November 2005 Bank Note Reporter with an article by Kerry Rodgers that shows examples of a 1/, 2/, 10/ and pound notes. Kerry reports it is the only known complete set and was auctioned by Roxbury's Auction House and no 5/ was ever produced.

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EDITORIAL

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A few Grams past I had mentioned a Winterhilfswerk 10 mark note from 1940/41 that I had seen on eBay. The note was in Fine condition and had a price tag in the hundred dollar or so range. I would have bought the note, but the condition did not, at least in my opinion, match the asking price. A couple of days ago, I received an email from Mar Historical (<http://www.marhistorical.com/>). This is a website based in Colorado and deals with World War II era German stamps, covers, feldpost , photos and other war related paper issues. Offered was another 10 mark note from 1942/43

(SB 413) in much better condition, VF to XF from the looks of the photo, and was half the asking price of the note seen on eBay. I started to hit the "add to cart" icon but got distracted by, of all things, a telephone call from a customer who had an electrical problem that needed attention. I had to deal with the problem so I thought I'd place my order when I got back. I was only gone for an hour or so and upon returning promptly went back to the email. I hit all the right button, offered to make payment via PayPal and waited for the email confirming my account information and my address. The email came back in about twenty minutes with the postage and handling costs and I made the confirmation. Good I thought, I finally was able to find this note I had been chasing for quite a while. You can guess what's coming, I'm sure.

The note had already been sold. The moral to the story:

if you want it, buy it when you seen it, don't wait. How many times have I heard that?

And...

Everyone knew and liked George and Mary Hill, longtime residents of the town and prominent in all its various activities. One day as they were driving, a huge 18-wheeler rammed headlong into their car, apparently killing them instantly. The entire town went into mourning. As the bodies were being picked up, one of the vehicles that came to the scene was playing a radio featuring a loud band...whereupon both of the victims immediately got up and began dancing around. The word went out to the whole town announcing the happy news that the Hills are alive....to the Sound of Mu...sic!

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Dear Editor,

I have been following the MPCGram since Fred Schwan kindly recommended it to me, and firstly wish to thank you for the interesting content.

I also have a quick question for you regarding the sales section. As a collector of concentration camp related notes/tokens and paperwork, I have been fortunate to acquire a few duplicates over the years, and would be grateful of any information on how I could possibly advertise them through the MPCGram.

Carl Barwise

[I replied to Carl and asked him to send in what he had available. His reply follows and the notes offered are also listed in the Post Exchange -Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I have several examples of the 1944 design Waffen-SS stamped KZ Flossenburg1RM token available. All are in very fine condition, with only minor creases/rounding present on the corners, slight stains/spotting, and a feint central crease on one example. Images are available.

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Carl Barwise

Dear Editor,

To answer your question:[posed in Gram 2144 What bank did the "Peeking Provisional Government" establish?

We have three different banks mentioned as answers. I took the question from page 695 in Remembered. It says there that the bank established was the Federal Reserve Bank. Where was the information found for the other two answers?]

Fed Res Bank 11 Feb 38 page 695 and 52 Remembered

Central Reserve Bank page 708 Central Reserve Bank 1 Jan 41

and Central Reserve Bank 6 Jan 41 page 712

John Cheney

[I did not see the Peeking Provisional Bank mentioned on the pages cited by John. Perhaps we need an expert in Japanese numismatics to chime in here - Ed.]

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Carl Barwise

carl.praha@gmail.com

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need a Hungarian 1 pengo note to complete my set of Hungarian ultra inflation notes from 1 pengo to the pengo note of 21 zeros. So, I'm looking for either the Hungarian 1 pengo note, 1938 Pick #102 or #114 in VF or better. Thanks, Ken Hallenbeck, email: kenhallenbeck@comcast.net.

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Russian silver coin issued in 2009/10 (?) for 125 Years of Russian bank =
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Jos Eijsermans

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly
solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

Where were the MPC Coupons used by Thai and Korean soldiers in Viet Nam
printed?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

According to Remembered, what territories made up Italian East Africa?

ANSWER:

Eritrea, Ethiopia, Italian Somaliland, Libya.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Larry McCumber writes in with a question about AAFES POGS. We have mentioned these in the Gram on prior occasions, but it has been a while.

As we have readers who are avid collectors of these, Bill Myers, Doug Bell and Steve Swoish, just to name three, perhaps it is time we updated whatever information there is. I see these offered on eBay when I do a "NAAFI" search and I see there seems to be more issues that I have seen in the past. It would make a nice feature article, and I don't want to put anyone on the spot (nonsense, of course I do!!) so why not send something in. All of our readers are invited to contribute and, who knows, someone may be interested in making a trade or a purchase of some duplicate pieces.

As you see, the September event in Valkenburg is our feature today.

While I have never been to the fall show, I have, as you know, been there in the Spring for a few of the shows. I really enjoy the venue, and while I am not able to go this year, I would hope some of our readers will be able to attend and send back a report. I would also recommend checking out the auction. There are usually some nice notes from World War II.

And,

There have been many coins with different face values. In the U.S. we have had , 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50 cent pieces. We would have had a bunch more except that someone moved denominations be closed.

Did you ever hear of the counterfeit singer who tried to pass off a false note?

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I waited with a wry smile to see what answers people might come up with for this question. Consulting the authorities could get a respondent into trouble. Not all authorities agree.

There is one problem with these Ocean Island issues. The official report written following evacuation of the island and penned by the people who

produced and signed the notes, does not include all the denominations that have appeared on the market over the years. Fred and I wrote up the official report here: RODGERS, K.A. & SCHWAN, C.F. 1989. Gilbert and Ellice Islands emergency currency of World War II. International Bank Note Society Journal 28(3&4), 79-81.

Dr K.A. Rodgers

Dear Esteemed Editor,

Being a male and a husband, I have been told and finally know that I am a little slow on picking up things. I just noticed on my Visa invoice that I was paying Microsoft for their telephone dial-up service! What? I talked to some clerks at the Microsoft store this AM in Tysons Corner Center. They said I could cancel the service and still keep my MSN email address. OK. I went home and looked up what would happen at the MSN Customer Service. They also write there is no problem and my email would automatically convert over to Hotmail. Then I read down further and that it was possible my old emails would be lost and not convert over to Hotmail. What? Now I have to get in contact with my techie and have him save off all of my emails on a CD-ROM in case they disappear.

Everyone who emails me, please change my email from HADaniel3@msn.com to Howard@SEAsianTreasury.com while I negotiate through the Microsoft maze.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

I will be attending the September Long Beach Show early next month. Stop by at table 1133 and say hello!!

David Seelye

Dear Editor,

To answer your question: Fed Res Bank 11 Feb 38 page 695 and 52
Remembered Central Reserve Bank page 708 Central Reserve Bank 1 Jan 41 and
Central Reserve Bank 6 Jan 41 page 712

John Cheney

Dear Editor,

The "Provisional Government" in Peking (not Peeking - tell your spell-checkers to accept Peking as a legitimate spelling) established the bank whose title has traditionally been Romanized as The Federal Reserve Bank of China. None of the bank's notes actually show a Romanized title. The Central Reserve Bank of China (whose title does appear in Roman characters on many notes) was established by the "Reformed Government" in Nanking. See page 700 (top) for an explanation of how the two "governments" interacted. I have a note to correct the date on page 708 (the line will now read "in January 1941").

Joe Boling

Dear Editor;

I would like to know your opinion as to the future of the AAFES POGS used in Iraq and Afghanistan as they are used as military change in the AAFES facilities both over seas and back here in the states. I have not seen anything in the MPC newsletter on them.

Thanks

Larry McCumber

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Spende, Bordanweisung, Reisechecks and more packed between the covers of this publication. Countless updates to previous

listings and includes many new listings. Acceptance of this book has been tremendous and the comments have been awesome.

You can get your signed copy by the author, I have some inside pull on this, by sending payment, which includes shipping,

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Carl Barwise

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AAFES Pogs,

by Steve Swoish

As to the future of the AAFES pogs, that is a very good question. But, I am sure of one thing: They will not be replaced by coins & will be used in all hot spots until they come up with something else. (Another way to make change.) I was told by AAFES brass that the 12th printing was going

to be the last, that the debit cards would take over, but now there are 15 printings. And yes, I will have books to hold the 11th-15th printings available soon. I have sold almost 150 books for printings 1-5 & 6-10 now, as I only have 2 books for these printings left now. The pogs have become a HUGE collectable, as the prices for some of the early prints are selling still for a hefty price. A set of uncirculated 2nd print 25 cent set will set you back a minimum of \$150, with a face value of \$3. I have not sold a set less than that for over 5YEARS on eBay! Anyway, as the war ends in Afghanistan next year, that will dictate I believe, what the future will hold. At present, I am awaiting the 16th printing, as I believe it will be released in November, or, since there is no longer a demand in Iraq, then it will be March or May next year. You can find out about all the printings at Doug Bells & my website www.aafespogs.com

P.S. If you need sets to complete your collection, I got them.

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More on Pogs,

by Bill Myers

A few years ago I went to the Dallas AAFES headquarters and spoke to the person in charge of POGs. At that time he said POGs would be made until there was no need for them. He was referring the ending of the wars. OIF is over but OEF is still going strong. They are printed on an as needed basis. That is why some printings have no 5 cents POGs, they had plenty at the time. I would guess that enough coins were brought into the theater there would be no need for the POGs as well. From what I have heard from friends that have been deployed, POGs are being used less as US coins are available. In summary we do not know when the use of POGs will end.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Where were the MPC Coupons used by Thai and Korean soldiers in Viet Nam printed?

ANSWER:

The United States Navy Printing Facility, Guam.

George Slade

ANSWER:

The United States Navy Printing Facility on Guam. Once again, I could be wrong as I am surely the least knowledgeable reader of the MPCGram.

John Phipps

ANSWER:

US Navy Printing Facility, Guam.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Is there hope for an upcoming release or is Fred just teasing us with information that will appear in Remembers II? Perhaps he is preparing us for Fest XIV, whenever that will be, for the big surprise and a new edition of "the Book". Are he and Joe secretly collaborating on revisions and additions? Somehow I don't think so, but it would be a nice surprise.

Thanks to Steve and Bill for their comments about pogs. I do have a question for Bill, not being an Army guy: what does OIF and OEF stand for?

And....

A woman wanted to sell her strange donkey, so she put an ad in the paper that said, For sale, one donkey; only one thing to be aware of, hes breathing fire. Whereupon someone contacted her and said, Lady, your Ass is Dragon"

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Dear Gram,

After some exchanges in the Gram, I posted the correction that Joe was talking about on page 708 of Remembered (changing 1 January 1941 to in January 1941). The corrected paragraph is below just for fun. Although it is a very small change, you might want to make it in your Remembered. You will likely find it interesting that page 708 in Remembered is now page 787 on the current draft. This will still change substantially by the time that we have Remembered II.

Hua Hsing issues reached a high circulation of about 6.4 million yuan in mid-1940. When the Central Reserve Bank was established in January 1941, the note-issuing function for the region was assumed by the new bank; the entire Hua Hsing issue is reported to have been absorbed by the CRB, which quickly recalled them. By the end of the war, Hua Hsing notes were not circulating. The bank itself continued as a commercial bank, still with the mission of developing central China, until just after the end of the war.

Fred Schwan

Dear Honorable MPC Editor,

I just received my copy of the catalog for David Sklow's Fine Numismatic Books Auction. I notice two MPC titled items in the auction and thought that I would pass the information on to the Gramsters.

Lot 417 --ComprehensiveCatalog of Military Payment Certificates by Fred Schwan

Lot 438 -- World War II Allied Military Currency by Raymond S. Toy & Carlton F. Schwan

This auction closes October 6, 2012. More information on these and other lots at www.finenumismaticbooks.com.

I am not involved or associated with David or this auction in any way. I just find his auctions to have some unique and interesting items that I occasionally buy.

Thanks,

John Phipps

Dear Editor,

Please include information for our coin show in the Gram:

44th Annual Waukesha Coin Club Show

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SIX MONTHS TO FEST XIV

After long delays, Fest headquarters and The Boss announce that the Fest will be 15-17 March 2013. This is the weekend following the Chicago Paper Money Exposition. Preliminary indications are that several enthusiastic collectors are going to travel directly from Chicago to Port Clinton for more notes and fellowship setting up a megaFest! Everyone is invited! As usual, register for the Fest by calling Kim at the Fest Holiday Inn Express at 419 732-7322.

TWIRR #86

by Fred Schwan

I am sorry that we have been late in announcing the Fest dates. We started out with best intentions. After Fest 13 we announced the possible Fest dates asking for comments. Basically, we did not receive any comments. When I was prepared to announce dates in April. Indeed, I told the editor that he could announce in the Gram. Just as casually as could be, he pointed out that that was the weekend right after Maastricht and that that obviously was not good. Even though that should have been obvious to me and also that the editor should have said something during the comment period, neither of us did our job. That threw me for a little loop.

The next most obvious choice was the weekend after CPMX which gives us some special opportunities. Some collectors have told me that they will attend CPMX then go directly to Port Clinton for a megaFest. I think that this is a great idea and we will work on developing some additional activities. Heck, just having collectors at the hotel is an activity. We have demonstrated many times that two collectors in a room is an activity that can keep the participants busy for days. Nonetheless, I think that we will have some other things to do (beyond the normal Fest preparation work). I look forward to learning that you will come early to the Fest and any ideas that you have for additional activities.

The first thing to do is to call Kim at the Holiday Inn Express Fest HQ and make your reservation. If you know that you will be early, be sure to tell Kim when you will arrive. Call Kim at 419 732-7322.

Now that I have gotten this Fest date guerrilla off my back, I can work on some other TWIRRs. I have been working on many different projects.

Most of these should be discussed in TWIRRs. Unfortunately, I cannot think of a single one of the topics at this moment!

Ah, I just thought of one interesting little item. Not research, but interesting I think. This past weekend I went to the Ohio State coin convention in Columbus. There was not much paper money or military material available at first glance, but, as usual, a little digging turned up some things.

A dealer I chatted with told me that he had sold many pieces of MPC to various collectors all of whom said that they had never heard of MPCFest. I was surprised if not stunned. I suppose that is good news because it means that there are many more candidates to be recruited.

The very next dealer surprised me too! He told me that he not only knew about the Fest, but had attended a Friday Fest bourse in the past and hoped to attend again next year!

In a related matter to the above I have at hand my copy of The OSNA Journal (Ohio State Numismatic Association). Not only does it have a show schedule, but since I have it at hand and the Fest info too, I will shoot off a news release/show announcement to the editor. We have never been listed there. Perhaps we can get a few more collectors to come to our unique bourse. Actually, I have a few more ideas for promoting bourse attendance next year.

Joe Boling was in Columbus too. I hope that he will write a report. Actually, I saw Louise Boling long before I saw Joe at the show. I saw her in the parking lot as I went in. I sort of blind sided her with a Fest coin challenge; she passed with flying colors.

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

In what year and in where were the Tresor Francaise , territories occupes notes used?

ANSWER:

1947

John Cheney

[That's correct, but where?]

ANSWER:

The area of Germany and Austria that was occupied by France; issued in 1947.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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I had asked Bill for definitions; I should have been able to "translate" them myself, but, in my defense, I was Navy and that was 43 years ago.

OIF Operation Iraqi Freedom

OEF Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan)

It is good to have the dates for Fest XIV set so we can all do some far ahead planning. However, I do have a little bone to pick with our esteemed publisher and battalion clerk. I distinctly remember a conversation while at Fest XIII wherein I stated my opinion that I preferred the Fest to be in late February or early March since dates later in the year would cause conflicts. Now Fred is correct in that there were no comments about the Fest date (at any rate, I do not recall any - so if you sent something in feel free to criticize and let me know) sent to the Gram for publication despite the list of dates being published for weeks. Anyway, I do like the idea of CPMX and the Fest being only one week apart and early in the year. The dates give those who are planning to attend FUN in January time to recoup for March and time to plan a little ahead for Valkenburg in April. And, if you can't make FUN, you can plan to spend ten days or so a few weeks later doing what we all like to do.

Finally: "Joe Boling was in Columbus too. I hope that he will write a report."

And...

There are three pregnant squaws together in a hospital room. One was resting on a bearskin, another on a doeskin, and the third on a hippopotamus skin. The first one had a little boy, the second one also had a little boy, and given the situation the third one obviously had two boys. This occurred because, as we all know, the squaw of the hippopotamus is equal to the sons of the squaws of the other two hides!

[I think if fortunate that Pythagorus is no longer with us]

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2. I am just starting to list consignments for the next Mailbid XVIII which I plan to mail out in late Fall. This will be a full sale of more WWII books, Philippine coins, tokens & medals(lots), US/PI currency, JIM, Republic currency, and stamps. If you wish to consign please ship to me by 20 September. My charge is 15% only if a lot sells. I have about 15 consignments so far and I expect the sale to be about 2000 lots.

3. The Philippine Collectors Forum met in Philadelphia on August 10th during the American Numismatic Association convention. Attendance was limited but those that attended were treated to excellent presentations along with fabulous door prizes. John Riley and I composed a summary of this meeting which is attached as a MS Word document. Corrections, additions or comments are appreciated. The next planned PCF meeting will be in Chicago in August 2013.

4. You might enjoy the following website which had numerous stories on the war:

<http://philippine-defenders.lib.wv.us/index.html>

5. I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, the popular 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$22. It contains photos for grading Philippine coins and photos of many varieties listed in the catalog.

6. I have received the 2012 7th Edition of US/Philippine Coins. Mr. Culhane has added a Spanish section to the catalog. The grading descriptions were deleted and no photos of varieties are included so you will need to refer back to the 6th edition for those. Cost of the new edition is \$28 Postpaid in the USA.

7. I also have available: "History and Mintage Philippine Counter-stamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, MD. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counter-stamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate.

8. I have restocked my supply of the professionally made blue Philippine coin albums. Please contact me for price and availability of specific albums. There are now ten albums starting with the Spanish series through the Republic series.

9. There appears to be a recent flurry of encapsulated 1906S Pesos, even from the well-known companies, that appear to be spurious. I will send my 2004 (published by ANA) study of the die characteristics of Philippine 1906S Pesos. There are plenty of photos and descriptions plus photos of fakes in it. Cost postpaid is \$8.

Thank you,

Ray Czahor

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Catalina Federal Honor Camp/Gordon Hirabayashi Recreation Site,

by Bill Myers

Recently I drove up the Catalina Highway to Mount Lemon, which is located just north of Tucson, AZ. Between mile markers 7 and 8 I stopped at the Gordon Hirabayashi Recreation Site, which is located at what used to be the Catalina Federal Honor Camp. I need to give some background information and you will see there is a World War II connection.

In the past, getting to the top of the Catalina Mountains required hiking or riding a horse or burro. In 1920 a single lane road was constructed but it was 75 miles from the center of Tucson to the top of the mountain. There was a push to build a two lane road from the south side of the mountain so the citizens could travel up the mountain to escape the summer heat. (The day we went up the mountain it was 100 degrees in Tucson and 70 degrees at the 9,000 foot altitude at the top of the mountain.) After the road was approved a way had to be found to build it and the solution was to build a prison camp on the mountain and have the prisoners build the road. The prisoners were housed in tents until the road reached the 4,860 foot level, which is where they built the prison camp. The camp was completed in 1939 and housed nonviolent prisoners such as car thieves, bootleggers, tax evaders as well as Mexicans who entered the country illegally. The camp had no walls or fences and prisoners were told not to venture beyond a white line painted on the ground.

With the outbreak of World War II the camp was used to house conscientious objectors such as Hopi Indians and Jehovahs Witnesses. After Pearl Harbor, Roosevelt authorized the Secretary of War to designate military areas where any or all persons could be excluded. This resulted in 117,000 Japanese Americans being displaced and put into internment camps. In 1942 Gordon Hirabayashi, a Japanese American, was a senior at the University of Seattle. Instead of reporting to a relocation camp he turned himself into the FBI. He challenged the constitutionality of the internment and curfew on Japanese American citizens. Hirabayashi was convicted of violating military orders and the case was upheld by the Supreme Court. He was sentenced to the Catalina Federal Honor Camp. The Federal Authorities would not pay to transfer him to Tucson so he hitchhiked from Spokane.

Japanese Americans were classified as 4-C for the draft, as they were unsuitable for military service because of race or ancestry. In 1943 the ban was lifted and Japanese Americans were drafted. Over 300 Japanese Americans refused the draft until their Constitutional rights were restored and their families were released from internment camps. The resisters were convicted of draft evasion and sentenced to 2-3 years in Federal prisons. About 45 convicted Japanese American resisters from the Granada, Poston and Topaz Relocation Camps were sent to the Catalina Federal Honor Camp. They were transported to the camp in leg irons and chains with armed guards. Ironically they had more freedom at the Honor Camp than they did in the Relocation Camps. These resisters called themselves the Tucsonians. They were pardoned by President Truman in 1947.

The highway was completed in 1951 and the camp was used to hold juvenile offenders until 1973 and then the buildings were raised. In 1999 it was turned into a recreation area and named the Gordon Hirabayashi Recreation Site.

Today there are remnants of the camp. There is a map available on-line that lists every relic on the site. The foundations and part of the walls of the employees housing are the largest remains present. The prisoners barracks were made of wood and the area where they were is now used as a campground.

I have tried to determine if there are any numismatic items from the camp and have not found any. I found several descriptions of what buildings were at the camp and a canteen was not on the list. My curiosity will keep me looking.

The World War II Sites in the United States, A tour Guide and Directory does not list the Catalina Federal Honor Camp but I think it should be included as it has a strong World War II connection.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Where were the Lassiter series and Caler series of notes used?

ANSWER:

The Lassiter and Caller notes were utilized in the Kume Islands, Occupied Japan. Kume Islands, Ryukyus Island Group, Japan.

Lassiter issued 29 Sept 1945

Caller issued 10 Oct 1945

John Cheney

ANSWER:

Kume-jima.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Let me reply to Colin's letter first. We have been putting requests for wanted Items and letters advertising items for sale in MAIL CALL so our readers will see them as soon as they come in. After the initial posting, the requests are moved down into the PX Section. Two of the more recent books by Festers/Gramsters are advertised there as are a couple of requested for wanted items. If you gave something for sale or are looking for a particular item, please continue to scroll down after MAIL CALL. To make this a little easier, I have moved the links to Dave Frank's CONCENTRATION CAMPS, INTERNMENT CAMPS, POW CAMPS AND DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP NOTES:

(www.worldandmilitarynotes.com) and the LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

(www.numismaticcrimes.org) below the POST/BASE EXCHANGE Section.

Courtesy of Howard Daniel, we have a new subscriber, who is a member of both the North American Vexillological Association and the Chesapeake Bay Flag Association. As a collector of flags our Battalion Clerk and publisher should have an interest as may some of our other subscribers. His name is Dale Grimes, so if you are one who has a interested in Vexillology let us know and I am sure Dale will be happy to know. We might even be able to encourage him to come to a Fest with some military related flags and banners to add to those we already display.

Lastly, I hope Joe's dinner was complimentary after he got his unscheduled shower. Perhaps he can tell us IF he decides to write a report on the Columbus show and tell us about the exhibits.

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Dear Gram,

Joe will probably write a report, but I thought I'd send a few comments. First of all, on the challenge coin - I passed "with flying colors" only because Fred is a true Fester and gentleman - with hands full, I fumbled so long trying to get my coin out of my purse that Fred gave up and allowed that I surely had one in there somewhere! Joe spent 4 or 5 hours judging. There were a couple of very interesting exhibits - he can tell you more. One dealer wanted to know what my "specialty" was - I told him following Joe Boling around!" Don't know why, but he thought that was very funny. The highlight of the day [NOT!] was dinner at Max and Erma's and while we were waiting to pay, two waiters collided and dumped two trays full of partially empty beer and water glasses on top of Joe. What a mess! But he survived, and I manage to avoid laughing. It really is a good show - if you are in the area next year, come on down!

Yes, a good thing that Pythagoras is dead ...

Louise "11's" Boling

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I would like a free subscription to The MPC Gram.

Thank you,

Dale Grimes

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Dear Editor,

In his TWIRR #86, Fred says "Now that I have gotten this Fest date
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did he have any notes?

Warner Talso

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TWIRR #87

by Fred Schwan

A few weeks ago (or was it months?) Howard Daniel mentioned a new book: Postal Orders & Savings Certificates of Pakistan & British-India by Yahya Qureshi and Rafiq Kasbati. I told Howard that I wanted one of the books since he had some available. Mine arrived late last week. I anticipated finding some information on the Indian Defence Savings Certificates (DSCs). At first I was disappointed, but it keeps getting better!

I turned to the section on this particular issue and was disappointed to find only one page. That page had minimal information and only one image--but what a photo it is! It is a specimen of the 10 rupee Defence Savings Certificate! I had never heard of much less seen a specimen! What a cool item.

So I went right to the Remembered manuscript to enter the specimen.

While there I decided to do a little more work so I dug out some of the DSCs that I had on hand and found out quite a bit more.

I found that I had certificates with two different enabling acts as stated on the backs. That was really cool I thought. Then I found the following text in the the 1995 Remembered:

Certificates seen were issued in accordance with the terms of Notification No. D/C 230-F., dated 4th June 1940. Some also say as amended by Notification No. D./ 340-P.T./41, dated the 7th August 1941. The notes are marked 1940 issue in the top margin of the back.

I could not believe it. We had noticed this difference in 1995 but we had NOT listed the two varieties. I still cannot believe it! That has been fixed you can be sure.

Then I found an even more interesting additional issue! The DSCs were also issued in a Class B Joint Issue version! These certificates were created for joint rather than individual ownership. Here is the text that I added to support this new issue:

Joint Certificate Class B otherwise as above issue. The serial number prefix includes an added letter (B for Class B) below DS. Only block DS/B A/0 seen. It is likely, but not certain, that the serial numbers are independent of the above (first?) issue. The text at the back bottom is the one-line variety 4th June 1940. It is altogether possible or likely that this issue also exists with the 7th August notification.

So, this was an interesting little exercise. It brings us to another issue. I would like to attach a PDF of the new pages to the Gram, but from the very beginning we have believed that attachments are No-Nos. So what to do? Well, for the short term we can try an experiment. If you would like to receive a PDF of the pages in question, send me an email (fredschwan@yahoo.com) requesting these pages, and I will send them. I only ask one thing. Look over the pages and if you have any corrections, additions, alterations send them to me or to the Gram.

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ANSWER:

In 1938 the Meng Chiang Bank of Mongolia issued a 5 chiao coin as well as the series of chiao and yuan notes.

Myers

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Please look below for the new Show Calendar, put together with painstaking effort by John and Nancy Wilson, and note the dates for CPMX and Fest XIV. It is not too early to make plans and to make your reservations. Many thanks to John and Nancy for all their good work, which I am sure is appreciated by all of our readers. If you have additional shows or exhibitions, please send them in and we will add them to the calendar

With my interest in World War II stamps, I had asked Howard Daniel to reserve a copy of the book Fred describes in his feature. I was first impressed by the color images. The Postal Orders date from early in the 20th Century to after the war and feature vignettes of three British Kings,

Edward VII and George V & VI. If you look in Remembered you will not see Pakistan listed in the Country quick list, and although this might make for a good Championship Question, the reason is that Pakistan, the country we know today, was part of the British Empire at the time. It became independent in 1947. I like the book, and would like the PDF Fred offered and would ask him to send my copy to the Gram

And.....

A fortune-telling midget was caught for some misdemeanor and sentenced to a year in jail. She managed to escape before they could incarcerate her, whereupon an all-points bulletin went out, announcing: Attention! Small Medium at Large!

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Ric W

USMC

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Dear Editor,

I was reading the 3 September 2012 issue of Coin World. There is an article by Michele Orzano titled "Doing it by the Numbers" starting on page 171. The second line of the 3rd paragraph states "One collector I know enjoys finding the number 39 on notes and other paper collectables because, like Jack Benny, they allude to his perpetual age." Does this remind the festers of anyone they know? There cannot be two of them out there.

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Donations to the scholarship fund may be made by sending a check made out to the Military Numismatics Scholarship Fund. Mail checks to Dan Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744-0195.

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SHOW CALENDAR - 2012 - 2013

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The Silver Dollar & Rare Coin Exposition

October 4 - 6, 2012

St. Charles Convention Center

1 Convention Center Plaza,

St. Charles, MO 63303

Auction Scotsman Auction Co.

Contact Mary Woodside at silverdollarshow@yahoo.com

North Carolina Numismatic Association Convention

October 5 - 7, 2012

Hickory, NC

The Collectorama Show

October 11 - 13, 2012

The Lakeland Center

Lakeland, FL

Show information Ed Kuszman

Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com

Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Moon Coin Show

October 12 - 14, 2012

Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)

Earle Browne Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN

Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Wall Street Collectors Bourse II

October 18 - 20, 2012

The Museum of American Finance

48 Wall Street, New York, NY

Free admission

Exhibits and Auction

Bourse Organizer: info@wallstreetbourse.com

American Numismatic Association

National Money Show

October 18 - 20, 2012

Dallas Convention Center

Auction by Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

Admission for non-members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Discount coupon at www.money.org
Email convention@money.org

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale
October 26 28, 2012
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
Sarasota, FL
Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and
Manatee Coin Club
Free Admission and Parking
Show information
http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Denver Coin Expo
October 26 28, 2012
National Western Expo Hall
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page www.denverxposhows.com

Indiana State Numismatic Association 54th Show
November 2 3, 2012
The Indianapolis Marriott
Indianapolis, IN

Free Admission and Parking

Contact Joyce Fischer

Email kycolonels@comcast.net

www.indianastatenumismatics.org

Tennessee State Annual Fall Coin Show

November 2 - 4, 2012

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

Contact Gayle Pike

pikegk@aol.com

www.tsns.org

PCDA National Coin and Currency Convention

November 8 - 11, 2012

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

5440 North River Road Rosemont, IL 60018

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

www.lyknight.com

Possible Mini-Fest

Show information Kevin Foley

Email kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

www.pcdaonline.com

Bay State Coin Show 48th Year

November 8 - 10, 2012

Best Western

Marlborough, MA

Free Parking

Contact Ed Aleo (781) 729-9677

www.baystatecoinshow.com

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo

40th Year

November 15 - 18, 2012

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

www.whitmanbooks.com

Michigan State Numismatic Society

November 23 - 25, 2012

Macomb Community College South Campus

Building P Sports & Expo Center

Warren, MI

Free Admission and Parking

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN activities

Show contact Brian Mainar

Email bam68@comcast.net

Show information www.michigancoinclub.org

Houstons 56th Money Show of the Southwest

November 29 December 1, 2012

George R. Brown Convention Center

Greater Houston Coin Club

Show information Carl Schwenker

Email texascoins@att.net

Web site www.houstoncoinshow.org

SoCal Coin & Currency Show

December 6 8, 2012

Ontario Convention Center

Ontario, CA

Show information www.ckshows.com

(888) 330-5188

New York International Numismatic Convention

41st Annual show

January 10 13, 2013

Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Admission

Discount coupon at www.nyinc.info

Multiple major auctions daily Sunday to Sunday

Educational programs

Show info Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

Florida United Numismatists 58th Convention

January 10 - 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Free Admission

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions

www.ha.com

Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities

Show info: Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

www.funtopics.com

San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show

January 25 - 27, 2013

Double Tree Hotel

San Jose, CA

Educational forum

Admission

Show information www.sanjosecoinclub.org

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

February 7 - 9, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Charlotte Coin Club 43rd Annual Show

February 8 - 10, 2013

Metrolina Trade Show Expo

Free Admission

Show information Jerry Sajbel

jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair

February 15 - 17, 2013

St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel

Show information Mike Orlando

(314) 504-0503

www.stlouiscoinclub.com

The Collectorama Show

February 15 - 17, 2013

The Lakeland Center

Lakeland FL

Show information Ed Kuszman

Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com

Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show

February 16 - 17, 2013

Virginia Beach Convention Center

Free admission, Educational Exhibits

Host Tidewater Coin Club

Show information

John at (757) 222-4343

www.tidewatercoinclub.org

Tennessee State Coin Show

March 1 -3, 2013

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

Show information Gayle Pike

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www.tsns.org

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale

March 1 - 3, 2013

Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Sarasota, FL

Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and

Manatee Coin Club

Free Admission and Parking

Show information

http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual

March 7 - 10, 2013

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

Rosemont, IL

Admission

Educational Programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://www.new.lynknight.com/LK/>

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

www.cpmxshow.com

MPC FEST XIV

March 15, 16, 17 2013

Holiday Inn Express

Port Clinton, OH

Friday Bourse

March Madness

Educational Presentations

Auction and a whole lot more!

Register for the Fest by calling Kim at the Fest Holiday Inn Express:

419 732-7322.

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual

Sunday, March 10, 2013

09:00 to 4:00 P.M.

New Berlin Ale House

16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI

For further information: www.waukeshacoinclub.com

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo

March 14 - 17, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

www.whitmanbooks.com

Northwest Coin Clubs 79th Annual show

March 15 - 17, 2013

Earle Browne Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN

Show information Lee Quast

(314) 276-1162

amerishow@gmail.com

C.A.M.P Spring Show

April 5 - 7, 2013

Monroeville, PA

Monroeville Convention Center

Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi

www.sarosicoinshows.com

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention

65th Annual

April 12 - 14, 2013

Tukwila Community Center

Tukwila, WA

Admission

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Show information Michael Labosier

Mrlab@yahoo.com

www.pnna.org

Chicago International Coin Fair

38th Annual

April 18 - 21, 2013

Admission

Educational programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions (www.ha.com)

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

(800) 573-0333

www.cicfshow.com

Michigan State Numismatic Society

April 19 - 21, 2013

Location to be decided

Show information Joe LeBlanc

jhl@michsoft.com

www.michigancoinclub.org

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

April 19 - 21, 2013

Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center

Dalton, GA

Free Parking

Show information Tom Youngblood

Tom.youngblood@att.net

www.gamoney.org

Future shows

April 11 - 13, 2014

April 17 - 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society

April 24 - 27, 2013

Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,

Schaumburg, IL.

Auction Heritage Auctions (www.ha.com)

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN Activities

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

www.centralstates.info/

Future shows

April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL

April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL

April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL

Richmond Coin Show

May 3 - 5, 2013

Richmond, VA

Clarion Hotel

Free Admission and Parking

Show information Connie Robertson

Connie3798@verizon.net

www.richmondcoinclub.com

American Numismatic Association

National Money Show

May 9 - 11, 2013

Ernest N. Morial Convention Center

New Orleans, LA

Auction by Stacks Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

Discount coupons at www.money.org

Email convention@money.org

Garden State Numismatic Association

May 16 - 18, 2013

Denver Coin Expo

May 17 - 19, 2013

National Western Expo Hall

Denver, CO

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page www.denverxposhows.com

Texas Numismatic Association

55th Annual Coin Convention

May 31 - June 2, 2013

Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall

Fort Worth, TX

Admission for non members TNA & YNs

Show information Doug and Mary Davis

www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo

June 6 - 9, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

www.whitman.com/expos

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

June 6 - 8, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Future shows

Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014

Jun 5-7, 2014

Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show

June 14 16, 2013

Cook Convention Center East Hall

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://new.lynknight.com/LK/>

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Doug Davis

dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention

July 11 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Educational Programs

And Exhibits (non competitive)

Free Admission

Show information Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

www.funtopics.com

SoCal Coin & Currency Show

July 18 20, 2013

Ontario Convention Center

Ontario, CA

Show information www.ckshows.com

(888) 330-5188

Missouri Numismatic Society

July 25 27, 2013

St. Charles Convention Center

St. Charles, MO

Free Admission and Parking

YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar

Auction Scotsman Auction Co.

www.scoins.com

Show information Sid Nusbaum

Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

American Numismatic Association

Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)

August 13 - 17, 2013

Donald E. Stephens Convention Center

Chicago/Rosemont

Auction by Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

Visit www.money.org

Email convention@money.org

Future shows

August 5 - 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont

August 11 - 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Philadelphia Expo

September 19 - 21, 2013

Philadelphia Convention Center

Philadelphia, PA

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

www.whitmanbooks.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Sep 26 - 28, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Future shows

June 5 - 7, 2014

September 4 - 6, 2014

Moon Coin Show

October 11 - 13, 2013

Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)

118 tables

Free Admission and Parking

Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Denver Coin Expo

October 25 - 27, 2013

National Western Expo Hall

Denver, CO

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

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A Summer Seminar Adventure,
by Warner Talso

At Summer Seminar, the Advanced Military Numismatics class had three students, Dave Hunsicker, Tony James, and myself. Fred gave us a task to analyze four war bonds. One was a \$25 war bond and three were \$10 Soldier's bonds. All were made out to the same person. We came up with

several observations. The \$25 bond was issued on the anniversary of Pearl Harbor. We discussed serial number sequences of the three Soldiers bonds and the dates they were issued. The Issuing Agency appeared to be part of the 12th Federal District that we concluded was Hawaii.

The bonds were made out to Cpl Maurice Saliba and the beneficiary was Mrs. Zubedia Saliba. Tony did a Google search and determined that the Saliba family was quite well to do.

The kicker is that the address for Mrs. Saliba was in Walsenburg, Colorado. I drive past Walsenburg on my way between Albuquerque and Colorado Springs on Interstate 25. I have stopped there many times for gas and food. I am always interested in the history behind numismatic items. This time I got off the Interstate and drove down the main street of Walsenburg. I was looking for West First Street and there it was. I turned and immediately saw a man in his garden. I stopped and asked him where number 137 was. He pointed to a house 100 feet down the road. I drove up and took some pictures. This was an older middle class neighborhood and #137 was a large two story house. Clearly the biggest house around.

My luck is holding, so I rang the doorbell and introduced myself to the lady of the house. Typically, when I explain that I collect war bonds, people's eyes glaze over and they start looking for ways to escape. However, this lady was very gracious and shared some history. This house was built by the Saliba family about 90 years ago, sold to the Azar family, who sold it to the current owner. The Salibas were from Serbia and Mr Saliba was a sheep rancher and wasn't too concerned about where his sheep grazed. He was shot to death by a neighbor over a range dispute. The Salibas were considered very well-to-do for sheep ranchers. Allegedly, he had "connections" with a Chicago mobster who had a hideout in a nearby town. The current lady of the house thinks that the son, Maurice, returned from the war and went on to become a doctor.

The Azar's had a son, Frank, who became a lawyer in Pueblo Colorado. Coincidentally, there is a Frank Azar, a lawyer who advertises on TV in Colorado and New Mexico. I have called his office looking for verification and some history. I have not received a return call.

Part of the story, and a circumstance that is always intrigues me, would be to learn how these un-cashed bonds became available to collectors.

Further research by Tony determined that Maurice Saliba died in 2001 at age 77. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He was preceded in death by his wife, Peggy Saliba in 1983. This could explain why his war bonds became available to collectors. There may not have been any heirs that fit the requirements of the bonds.

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Book Report

Camp Florence Days by Ralph Storm,

Review by Bill Myers

Camp Florence Days is a book by Ralph Storm. The book is a combination of history, his experiences and excerpts from letters he wrote during that period.

He was drafted in July 1943 and inducted at Camp Grant, IL and was sent to POW Camp Florence in Florence, AZ for his basic training. He was one of 9 recruits and they were to join the 416th Military Police Escort Guard Company. While in basic training he also had to assume guard duty responsibilities and his first mission was to guard 500 arriving Italian POWs. When Italy surrendered, the Italians were now cobelligerents and were given more freedom and allowed to do certain jobs the German and Japanese were not allowed to do.

After he completed basic training, Storm was sent to Tolleson where he guarded Italian POWs as they cut the grass around the irrigation canals. It was near an airfield and the pilots there would buzz the POWs as they worked. Cotton was needed as the supply from Egypt had been cut off and it was required to manufacture equipment for the soldiers. Southern Arizona had the climate to grow cotton and was able to grow Egyptian cotton. There was a shortage of labor to pick the cotton so the POWs were used to do this. He notes that the POWs were paid less than a dollar a day but the US government was paid much more by the farmers for the labor and the US had a \$100 million profit, which was used to run the camps. Essentially the POWs paid their way.

He made mention of a Post Exchange that sold 3.2% beer, sandwiches and had a candy and variety counter. There was a USO in Florence and they held Saturday dances. He also talks about payday. He notes they were paid in cash minus deductions for life insurance, war savings allotments and laundry bills. He talks about the crap games after payday. He notes how some of the soldiers on guard duty assignment were there because they were on limited service due to some physical problem and could not be sent overseas. Sam Walton, the founder of Wal-Mart, had failed the overseas physical and was put on limited service.

Storm was then sent to the Colorado River War Relocation Camp in Poston, AZ. It was on tribal lands and consisted of three camps, one holding 10,000 and the other two holding 5,000 Japanese internees. There were no fences or guard towers. The FBI hired Niseis (Japanese born in the US) to be informants in the camps for those with pro-Japanese leanings and trouble makers. Masked gangs would beat the informants. Two internees were arrested for beating an informant and the camp went on strike. After meetings were held and the two internees that were arrested were released the tensions resolved.

He discusses Papago Park, a camp located near Phoenix that was used to hold German U-boat crews. (I have visited Papago Park and reported on it in the Gram previously). Werner Dreschler was an informant and had openly criticized Hitler. The Germans held a kangaroo court at Papago Park and

Dreschler was found hung in the latrine. Seven German POWs were arrested and found guilty of murder at a trial at Camp Florence. Their defense was that Dreschler was a traitor and the information he was giving the Allies would lead to the sinking of U-boats and the killing of the German crew. They felt they were patriots. They were sent to Fort Leavenworth and executed in July, 1945.

These are just a few of the stories in the book. Other than talking about payday, there are no other numismatic references. There are 5, 10, 25 and 50 cents chits for Camp Florence (WWII Remembered page 414, Campbell 7994-7997) but not mentioned in the book. The book is easy to read, though it could be organized better. It is self-published and available from the author at m24storm@yahoo.com for \$14.95 plus \$3 shipping. There is also a Kindle version available at amazon.com.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

What notes circulated in Spanish Morocco between 1941 and 1945?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Who could be recipients the Order of Ushakov and the Ushakov Medal?

ANSWER:

Order of Ushakov

Began in the USSR. Continued in Russia.

Command grade naval officers are eligible.

Awarded to officers of the Navy for outstanding achievements in the development, implementation and prosecution of naval operations resulting in victory over a numerically superior enemy. The Order of Ushakov may also be awarded to military units and formations of the Navy for

participation in successful naval operations. It may also be awarded to foreign citizens - soldiers of allied forces from among its senior officers involved alongside troops of the Russian Federation for organizing and conducting successful joint operations of allied forces.

Ushakov Medal

Began in the USSR. Continued in Russia today.

Soldiers and Sailors of the Navy and Border Guard Service are eligible.

Awarded for Bravery and Courage in Naval Theatres in times of War and Peace.

The Ushakov Medal has had foreign recipients. (i.e. Signalman 3rd Class Delbert Dauenbaugh, U.S. Navy)

Please be gentle with your rebuke if I am in error.

John Phipps

[I think you hit it right on the head John! - Ed.]

ANSWER:

They are awarded to members of the Soviet Navy for outstanding success in sea operations resulting in a victory over a numerically superior enemy force. The order of Ushakov is awarded to officers and the Ushakov Medal is awarded to seamen and petty officers.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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The phone rang the other day and it was Keith Bauman. He said he had seen a note that he wanted some information on and he had talked to David Seelye who told him I might have an interest. The note in question was a one dollar silver certificate (series 1935A) with a yellow seal indicating it was for use in North Africa and Italy. Ok, I know about the yellow seals and what was so interesting about this particular note. Seems it was a short snorter. On the back in the left hand margin was neatly typed "Nov. 23, 1943, Oran Africa", but that was not all. On the face of the note were three hand stamps indicating it was examined by US Army censors. Now I'm interested. The stamps were described as rectangular with the wording "ARMY EXAMINER" with an oval above containing the numbers "19220". We talked about why this note might have

been stamped and came to the conclusion that it was most likely sent home as a souvenir by whomever was in Oran in November of 1943. Mail was censored and it was no secret that the Allies were in Africa so the note passed muster and was allowed to continue on its way. Keith then went on to say he did not have the note as it was in a group of notes a fellow dealer had bought and this dealer wanted information on the note and an idea of what it might be worth. The condition was described as Fine. After chatting a bit longer, I told Keith I would buy the note if he could get his dealer friend to agree on a price. We left off with Keith saying he would get back to me. The nexr day he called again and said he had the note and offered to send me a scan. After looking a the scan we concluded the deal and the note was put in the mail.

When it arrived a couple of days later I was pleased to see it graded in the VF-XF range despite having been folded. There was a little crispness left and there were no tears. The back had a little staining which could have been the result of the note being kept in a leather wallet. With the note in hand I had an opportunity to better examine the censor stamp. Using a glass on the note and looking at the scan I determined the top porting of the stamp had the wording "PASSED" over the oval with the number which I assume to be the identification number for the examiner.

I have a modest collection of short snorters but I know they are very popular with a number of our readers. I like this note thanks Keith (and David) for bringing it to my attention. We can't attach a photo or a scan to the Gram, but I can email the scan if anyone would like to see it.

And.....

There was a big robbery in a large police station; every single toilet was removed from the building. The police were completely baffled by this action, as they had nothing to go on.

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Dear Editor,

Ric W asked about Fred's class, not the fest. I expect he's looking for information about Summer Seminar.

Joe Boling

[Yes he did; but if we get him to come to the Fest he can get first hand information on the Summer Seminar from not only Fred, but from you and those of us who have attended - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Here's our 2013 Show info:

Northwest Coin Club's 79th Annual Money Show

March 15, 16, 17th, 2013

Earle Brown Heritage Center

6155 Earle Brown Drive, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Free Admittance - Free Parking

Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700

Info - northwestcoinclub.com or Lee Quast

314-276-1162 - amerishow@gmail.com

Lee Quast

[Thanks Lee, your show has been added to the calendar]

Dear Editor,

I would be interested in going to the CPMX in Chicago and then go to Port Clinton for the Fest in MAR 2013.

Myers

[I'll start to keep track of those who express an interest in going to both CPMX and staying over for the Fest; look in the calendar after the listing for the Fest - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Please add the following to the Wanted Section:

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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FOR SALE

NEW MPC CATALOG PUBLISHED IN 2012

BY Carlson R. Chambliss

The first all-color book on Military Payment Certificates to be published, this stunningly beautiful, large format, 152-page book should not be missed. Titled "A Concise Catalog of U. S. Military Payment Certificates" it describes in detail all 15 series of normal and replacement MPCs. The new replacement census tabulates more than 3500 items. Also discussed are MPC errors, fancies, specimens, replicas, counterfeits, voided notes, and souvenir cards. In addition there is a thorough listing of almost 500 POGs, the current form of tokens that are in use by U. S. Armed Forces in the Middle East. An annotated bibliography is also provided. This book is available for \$26.00 postpaid to anywhere in the USA. Quantity discounts are available, and these can be quite large if numerous copies are ordered. Foreign orders will cost more due to higher shipping costs. Please inquire. Checks should be made payable to C. R. Chambliss, P. O. Box 804, Kutztown, PA 19530. I can also be reached by email (see address above) and by telephone at 1 - 610 - 683 - 6572.

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need the following AMC Italian replacements.

Series 1943 50 Lire Forbes

Series 1943100 Lire BEP

Series 1943100 Lire Forbes

Series 1943500 Lire BEP

Series 1943500 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP

Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes

Series 1943A 500 Lire

If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

WANTED

I need a Hungarian 1 pengo note to complete my set of Hungarian ultra inflation notes from 1 pengo to the pengo note of 21 zeros. So, I'm looking for either the Hungarian 1 pengo note, 1938 Pick #102 or #114 in VF or better. Thanks, Ken Hallenbeck, email: kenhallenbeck@comcast.net.

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St. Charles Convention Center

1 Convention Center Plaza,

St. Charles, MO 63303

Auction Scotsman Auction Co.

Contact Mary Woodside at silverdollarshow@yahoo.com

North Carolina Numismatic Association Convention

October 5 - 7, 2012

Hickory, NC

The Collectorama Show

October 11 - 13, 2012

The Lakeland Center

Lakeland, FL

Show information Ed Kuszman

Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com

Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Moon Coin Show

October 12 - 14, 2012

Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)

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Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

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October 18 - 20, 2012

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October 18 - 20, 2012

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Denver Coin Expo

October 26 - 28, 2012

National Western Expo Hall

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page www.denverxposhows.com

Indiana State Numismatic Association 54th Show

November 2 - 3, 2012

The Indianapolis Marriott

Indianapolis, IN

Free Admission and Parking

Contact Joyce Fischer

Email kycolonels@comcast.net

www.indianastatenumismatics.org

Tennessee State Annual Fall Coin Show

November 2 - 4, 2012

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

Contact Gayle Pike

pikegk@aol.com

www.tsns.org

PCDA National Coin and Currency Convention

November 8 - 11, 2012

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

5440 North River Road Rosemont, IL 60018

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

www.lyknight.com

Possible Mini-Fest

Show information Kevin Foley

Email kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

www.pcdaonline.com

Bay State Coin Show 48th Year

November 8 10, 2012

Best Western

Marlborough, MA

Free Parking

Contact Ed Aleo (781) 729-9677

www.baystatecoinshow.com

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo

40th Year

November 15 18, 2012

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

www.whitmanbooks.com

Michigan State Numismatic Society

November 23 - 25, 2012

Macomb Community College South Campus

Building P Sports & Expo Center

Warren, MI

Free Admission and Parking

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN activities

Show contact Brian Mainar

Email bam68@comcast.net

Show information www.michigancoinclub.org

Houstons 56th Money Show of the Southwest

November 29 - December 1, 2012

George R. Brown Convention Center

Greater Houston Coin Club

Show information Carl Schwenker

Email texascoins@att.net

Web site www.houstoncoinshow.org

SoCal Coin & Currency Show

December 6 - 8, 2012

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Ontario, CA

Show information www.ckshows.com

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January 10 - 13, 2013

Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Admission

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Educational programs

Show info Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

Florida United Numismatists 58th Convention

January 10 - 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Free Admission

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions

www.ha.com

Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities

Show info: Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

www.funtopics.com

San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show

January 25 - 27, 2013

Double Tree Hotel

San Jose, CA

Educational forum

Admission

Show information www.sanjosecoinclub.org

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

February 7 - 9, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

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Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

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February 8 - 10, 2013

Metrolina Trade Show Expo

Free Admission

Show information Jerry Sajbel

jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair

February 15 - 17, 2013

St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel

Show information Mike Orlando

(314) 504-0503

www.stlouiscoinclub.com

The Collectorama Show

February 15 - 17, 2013

The Lakeland Center

Lakeland FL

Show information Ed Kuszman

Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com

Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show

February 16 17, 2013

Virginia Beach Convention Center

Free admission, Educational Exhibits

Host Tidewater Coin Club

Show information

John at (757) 222-4343

www.tidewatercoinclub.org

Tennessee State Coin Show

March 1 -3, 2013

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

Show information Gayle Pike

pikegk@aol.com

www.tsns.org

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale

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Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual

March 7 - 10, 2013

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

Rosemont, IL

Admission

Educational Programs

Possible Mini Fest

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Earle Brown Heritage Center

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Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700

Info - northwestcoinclub.com

Lee Quast

314-276-1162

amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual

Sunday, March 10, 2013

09:00 to 4:00 P.M.

New Berlin Ale House

16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI

For further information: www.waukeshacoinclub.com

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo

March 14 - 17, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

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Northwest Coin Clubs 79th Annual show

March 15 17, 2013

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Brooklyn Center, MN

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C.A.M.P Spring Show

April 5 7, 2013

Monroeville, PA

Monroeville Convention Center

Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi

www.sarosicoinshows.com

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention

65th Annual

April 12 14, 2013

Tukwila Community Center

Tukwila, WA

Admission

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Show information Michael Labosier

Mrlab@yahoo.com

www.pnna.org

Chicago International Coin Fair

38th Annual

April 18 - 21, 2013

Admission

Educational programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions (www.ha.com)

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

(800) 573-0333

www.cicfshow.com

Michigan State Numismatic Society

April 19 - 21, 2013

Location to be decided

Show information Joe LeBlanc

jhl@michsoft.com

www.michigancoinclub.org

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

April 19 - 21, 2013

Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center

Dalton, GA

Free Parking

Show information Tom Youngblood

Tom.youngblood@att.net

www.gamoney.org

Future shows

April 11 - 13, 2014

April 17 - 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society

April 24 - 27, 2013

Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL.

Auction Heritage Auctions (www.ha.com)

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN Activities

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

www.centralstates.info/

Future shows

April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL

April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL

April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL

Richmond Coin Show

May 3 - 5, 2013

Richmond, VA

Clarion Hotel

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Show information Connie Robertson

Connie3798@verizon.net

www.richmondcoinclub.com

American Numismatic Association

National Money Show

May 9 - 11, 2013

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New Orleans, LA

Auction by Stacks Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

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Exhibits and Educational Programs

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Garden State Numismatic Association

May 16 - 18, 2013

Denver Coin Expo

May 17 - 19, 2013

National Western Expo Hall

Denver, CO

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page www.denverxposhows.com

Texas Numismatic Association

55th Annual Coin Convention

May 31 June 2, 2013

Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall

Fort Worth, TX

Admission for non members TNA & YNs

Show information Doug and Mary Davis

www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo

June 6 - 9, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

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Phone (404) 214-4373

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Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

June 6 - 8, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

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or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Future shows

Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014

Jun 5-7, 2014

Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show

June 14 16, 2013

Cook Convention Center East Hall

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://new.lynknight.com/LK/>

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Doug Davis

dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention

July 11 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Educational Programs

And Exhibits (non competitive)

Free Admission

Show information Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

www.funtopics.com

SoCal Coin & Currency Show

July 18 - 20, 2013

Ontario Convention Center

Ontario, CA

Show information www.ckshows.com

(888) 330-5188

Missouri Numismatic Society

July 25 - 27, 2013

St. Charles Convention Center

St. Charles, MO

Free Admission and Parking

YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar

Auction Scotsman Auction Co.

www.scoins.com

Show information Sid Nusbaum

Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

American Numismatic Association

Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)

August 13 - 17, 2013

Donald E. Stephens Convention Center

Chicago/Rosemont

Auction by Stacks-Bowers

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Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

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Future shows

August 5 - 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont

August 11 - 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Philadelphia Expo

September 19 - 21, 2013

Philadelphia Convention Center

Philadelphia, PA

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Sep 26 - 28, 2013

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42nd Field Artillery 5th Battalion Reunion,

by Mike Buckley

I just got back from my Vietnam Battalion reunion. It was at Fort Sill Oklahoma, home of the Field Artillery. We took a trip to the new Field Artillery museum. It has dioramas from the Early days to current. The war between the states showed coins used during that time. The Vietnam period had two MPC, a 5 cent and 10 cent of 681. We then went to eat at a Dinning Facility (Mess Hall to me). It was a little better than I had. There was a choice of three meats, or a sandwich, many vegetables, soft drinks, dessert and a ice cream machine. This was not a show place because basic trainees came in to eat. That night Rod Guerrero who is from Guam and his family cook us a great Guam meal. Needless to say we didn't sleep much as we told our interpretation of war stories to each other. My Battery Captain from my last 6 months was there. I found out he was a Green Beret and was on an A Team. He also survived four helicopter crashes but he is now four inches shorter. He took good care of us.

The main thing I want to tell you was I received my first challenge coin other than from the Fest. This has my history on it. I am including a pdf file of it and a little story about Artillery.

Mike Buckley

[PS please put my Captain (Retired as Major) on the gram subscription. He collects coins and lives in Akron, OH.

Morris (Mo) Oldham computer man@ameritech.net]

[The challenge coins Mike sent an image is quite colorful and depicts a set of crossed cannons with a shoulder patch on a red background on one side and a red crest with two diagonal yellow stripes and four projectiles on a red background with the legend "FESTINA LENTE" underneath. "5th Battalion", "42nd FIELD ARTILLERY", along with the dates 1967 and 1972 in yellow on a red background, are on the other side. It is an impressive looking coin - Ed.]

The late Len Harsel's Library,

by Howard Daniel III

I have been assisting Len Harsel's widow, Sue, with cleaning out his basement office. It was almost as bad as my "black hole" but not quite there. Daryl Spelbring has also assisted Sue by selling his inventory, and I have found a few more pieces of paper money here and there for Daryl. I also found a \$20 note in a bank deposit envelope and other smaller notes and coins in boxes and drawers. One old and large wooden former military file cabinet included his business files, correspondence and clippings from the numismatic press. Three large trash bags were filled from that one cabinet for the paper recycling pickup, but many of them had to first be shredded by Len's son, Joe. There were another two large trash bags filled with non-paper numismatic and non-numismatic trash. One box I found had his military records in it and I found a decoration he received that is not on his gravestone at Arlington National Cemetery. There were also investment files for many years, to include a couple of stock certificates unknown to Sue. There were many other documents like their children's birth certificates that are important to Sue which she did not know where they were located. All of us need to get our important papers assembled in one place and show them to your spouse and children. I end many of my talks with a plea to the attendees to put their collections, libraries and other important things in their will and to name an executor you trust to take care of disposing of them and giving the proceeds to your estate! You must do it too! I have found some clippings and letters that I mailed out to many Gramsters and others. The last item is a letter from Win Haskell, who lived in Germany after his retirement. In the letter he describes and sends photocopies of a couple of WWII items. I have attached them to this

letter and they will likely be made available by our editor. I also found a small photograph of Len in 1964 or 1965 when he was a Captain and receiving an Army Commendation Medal after his first Vietnam War tour in Pleiku. Can you believe Len looked that young before he became a world paper money dealer? Len and I served together during his second tour but he only stayed one year and went back to Sue and their children, while I continued on for several more years. The major part of Len's numismatic library is still in the basement. Daryl and I have sold some of it but there are still at least one hundred references on the shelves. I am leaving on October 3 for Viet Nam and will return in late February of next year. Sue is planning to sell the house and move into a condo sometime before March 1 of next year. Len's library will be put in storage once the house is sold. There are many references not on the 10+ pages listing of his library and many of them would surprise most of you. I was going through it a few days ago and picking out references Joe Boling wants and I kept coming across many more not on the list that I KNOW he would want in his library. Please contact Sue at SueHarsel@aol.com to arrange for a time where you can go through Len's library and make offers to her. Many have the purchase price in them but many do not. Whatever references are left when I return next year, I will likely ship to the ANA Library for a donation, so see if you can add them to your library.

Sue is going to be in California for the first half of September and when she returns, I will have only a couple of weeks before Phung and I depart for Viet Nam for five plus months. You can contact me at Howard@SEAsianTreasury.com (this is a new email address to contact me) and I can email you the library list. I might have time to find them and mail them to you but it is likely I will not have time because Phung and I have many things to do before we depart. So you might start planning to see his library and Sue before the next FUN Show and before it goes into storage and will not be available to you.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

While not directly related to military numismatics, this question does have a d i s t a n t connection:

What was the series/year the BEP first printed small sized notes? And whose portrait was on the largest denomination?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What notes circulated in Spanish Morocco between 1941 and 1945?

ANSWER:

Following is my feeble attempt to answer the Championship Question, "What notes circulated in Spanish Morocco between 1941 and 1945?"

Four notes-- .25 Francos, .50 Francos, 1 Franco & 2 Francos.

I am very concerned about being wrong with this answer and am prepared for the possible consequences.

John Phipps

[John usually addresses his answers to "Dear Honorable and Esteemed MPC Gram Editor" (hey, a warm fuzzy is always nice) and he does provide us not only with the correct answer, but with a little humor too. Thanks John]

ANSWER:

During the occupation of Tangiers Spain released Junta de Servicios Municipales notes in the denominations of 0.25, 0.50, 1, 2 francs.

Myers

ANSWER:

Does the question refer to the Tanger Junta de Servicios Municipales notes in .25, .50, 1, and 2 Francos?

George Slade

[Yes, it does. - Ed]

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EDITORIAL

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Information on the auction for the fall show in Valkenburg is below in mail call. Corne usually has some very interesting pieces related to World War II, so it might just be worth your while to take a peek.

We leave tomorrow for the UK, where we will be on a tour of England, Scotland and Wales for about two weeks. At the end of our tour we will spend a couple of extra days in London to take in some sights and the London Fair and bourse along with an IBNS board meeting. The Fair is an opportunity to pick up some items not normally seen here in the US or on line. I am taking my laptop and while we are away I will do my best to bring our readers some numismatic tidbits we might encounter along the way. We spend no more than two nights in one place during the tour and I can't be sure of an internet connection, but I do know while we are in London we should be okay. Please continue to send in your features and letters.

And,

A lady approaches her doctor and says, Doctor, I believe I am shrinking. His reply: Well, just be a little patient!

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Corn Akkermans.

Jos Eijsermans.

Dear Editor,I want to thank the MPC Gram for awarding to me the advanced Summer Seminar scholarship. I had a great and rewarding time, a report will be coming shortly. I had some health problems after the seminar (not related to the fires) so I was tied up with that..

Dave Hunsicker[We will look forward to your report Dave, in the meantime, keep getting better]

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I was bouncing around the Internet a couple of weeks ago and came across some miniature (1/35th Scale) game money titled VietnamConflict Money (& US Army Pay Coupon). It can be seen and ordered at www.bnamodelworld.com/diorama/ Once you are on the page, come down on the right side and you will see the small packet. They are really small but if you are collecting everything MPC (or Republic of Viet Nam), you will need this in your collection. I have some images if you want to see them from me.

It is getting very close for my wife and I flying over to Viet Nam on October 3. We will be staying there until February 22. I wanted six months but Phung was more comfortable with five. I will be also flying to Singapore, Bangkok, Phnom Penh, Vientiane, Hue, Hanoi, Hong Kong and Taipei while we are there. Sometimes Phung will be with me and sometimes a niece, or by myself. My time in Phnom Penh will definitely be by myself because it is not exactly comfortable for Vietnamese there.

While over there, I will try to nail down some dates to choose for a Mini Fest there in the next year or two. You will at least be able to go visit the Cu Chi Tunnels complex (includes a range to shoot an AK-47) and visit

some war museums in Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon). I will also arrange for all of those Vietnamese collectors and dealers with pieces of interest to Festers/Gramsters will be in the hotel or elsewhere so you can meet them and probably buy some pieces. If you want to come over to a Mini Fest in Saigon, please contact me at Howard@SEAsianTreasury.com and tell me what you want to do during it.....besides drinking Beer 33 (now 333).

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

You are correct about the use of the censor stamp on the NA note. It would have been applied by a military censor for outgoing mail. Censor stamps on notes are one of the things I collect also.

Jim Downey

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Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP

Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes

Series 1943A 500 Lire

If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

WANTED

I need a Hungarian 1 pengó note to complete my set of Hungarian ultra inflation notes from 1 pengó to the pengó note of 21 zeros. So, I'm looking for either the Hungarian 1 pengó note, 1938 Pick #102 or #114 in VF or better. Thanks, Ken Hallenbeck, email: kenhallenbeck@comcast.net.

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LINK TO CONCENTRATION CAMPS, INTERNMENT CAMPS, POW CAMPS AND DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP NOTES:

www.worldandmilitarynotes.com

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SHOW CALENDAR - 2012 - 2013

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October 4 - 6, 2012

St. Charles Convention Center

1 Convention Center Plaza,

St. Charles, MO 63303

Auction Scotsman Auction Co.

Contact Mary Woodside at silverdollarshow@yahoo.com

North Carolina Numismatic Association Convention

October 5 - 7, 2012

Hickory, NC

The Collectorama Show

October 11 - 13, 2012

The Lakeland Center

Lakeland, FL

Show information Ed Kuszman

Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com

Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Moon Coin Show

October 12 - 14, 2012

Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)

Earle Browne Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN

Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Wall Street Collectors Bourse II

October 18 - 20, 2012

The Museum of American Finance

48 Wall Street, New York, NY

Free admission

Exhibits and Auction

Bourse Organizer: info@wallstreetbourse.com

American Numismatic Association

National Money Show

October 18 - 20, 2012

Dallas Convention Center

Auction by Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

Admission for non-members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

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October 26 - 28, 2012

Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Sarasota, FL

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Free Admission and Parking

Show information

http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Denver Coin Expo

October 26 - 28, 2012

National Western Expo Hall

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page www.denverxposhows.com

Indiana State Numismatic Association 54th Show

November 2 - 3, 2012

The Indianapolis Marriott

Indianapolis, IN

Free Admission and Parking

Contact Joyce Fischer

Email kycolonels@comcast.net

www.indianastatenumismatics.org

Tennessee State Annual Fall Coin Show

November 2 - 4, 2012

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

Contact Gayle Pike

pikegk@aol.com

www.tsns.org

PCDA National Coin and Currency Convention

November 8 - 11, 2012

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

5440 North River Road Rosemont, IL 60018

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

www.lyknight.com

Possible Mini-Fest

Show information Kevin Foley

Email kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

www.pcdaonline.com

Bay State Coin Show 48th Year

November 8 - 10, 2012

Best Western

Marlborough, MA

Free Parking

Contact Ed Aleo (781) 729-9677

www.baystatecoinshow.com

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo

40th Year

November 15 - 18, 2012

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

www.whitmanbooks.com

Michigan State Numismatic Society

November 23 - 25, 2012

Macomb Community College South Campus

Building P Sports & Expo Center

Warren, MI

Free Admission and Parking

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN activities

Show contact Brian Mainar

Email bam68@comcast.net

Show information www.michigancoinclub.org

Houstons 56th Money Show of the Southwest

November 29 - December 1, 2012

George R. Brown Convention Center

Greater Houston Coin Club

Show information Carl Schwenker

Email texascoins@att.net

Web site www.houstoncoinshow.org

SoCal Coin & Currency Show

December 6 - 8, 2012

Ontario Convention Center

Ontario, CA

Show information www.ckshows.com

(888) 330-5188

New York International Numismatic Convention

41st Annual show

January 10 - 13, 2013

Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Admission

Discount coupon at www.nyinc.info

Multiple major auctions daily Sunday to Sunday

Educational programs

Show info Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

Florida United Numismatists 58th Convention

January 10 - 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Free Admission

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions

www.ha.com

Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities

Show info: Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

www.funtopics.com

San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show

January 25 - 27, 2013

Double Tree Hotel

San Jose, CA

Educational forum

Admission

Show information www.sanjosecoinclub.org

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

February 7 - 9, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Charlotte Coin Club 43rd Annual Show

February 8 - 10, 2013

Metrolina Trade Show Expo

Free Admission

Show information Jerry Sajbel

jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair

February 15 - 17, 2013

St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel

Show information Mike Orlando

(314) 504-0503

www.stlouiscoinclub.com

The Collectorama Show

February 15 - 17, 2013

The Lakeland Center

Lakeland FL

Show information Ed Kuszman

Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com

Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show

February 16 - 17, 2013

Virginia Beach Convention Center

Free admission, Educational Exhibits

Host Tidewater Coin Club

Show information

John at (757) 222-4343

www.tidewatercoinclub.org

Tennessee State Coin Show

March 1 -3, 2013

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

Show information Gayle Pike

pikegk@aol.com

www.tsns.org

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Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual

March 7 - 10, 2013

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

Rosemont, IL

Admission

Educational Programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://www.new.lynnknight.com/LK/>

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

www.cpmxshow.com

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March 15, 16, 17 2013

Holiday Inn Express

Port Clinton, OH

Friday Bourse

March Madness

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CPMX-FEST - Interested parties:

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March 15, 16, 17th, 2013

Earle Brown Heritage Center

6155 Earle Brown Drive, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Free Admittance - Free Parking

Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700

Info - northwestcoinclub.com

Lee Quast

314-276-1162

amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual

Sunday, March 10, 2013

09:00 to 4:00 P.M.

New Berlin Ale House

16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI

For further information: www.waukeshacoinclub.com

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo

March 14 - 17, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

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www.whitmanbooks.com

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Brooklyn Center, MN

Show information Lee Quast

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C.A.M.P Spring Show

April 5 - 7, 2013

Monroeville, PA

Monroeville Convention Center

Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi

www.sarosicoinshows.com

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention

65th Annual

April 12 - 14, 2013

Tukwila Community Center

Tukwila, WA

Admission

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Show information Michael Labosier

Mrlab@yahoo.com

www.pnna.org

Chicago International Coin Fair

38th Annual

April 18 - 21, 2013

Admission

Educational programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions (www.ha.com)

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

(800) 573-0333

www.cicfshow.com

Michigan State Numismatic Society

April 19 - 21, 2013

Location to be decided

Show information Joe LeBlanc

jhl@michsoft.com

www.michigancoinclub.org

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

April 19 - 21, 2013

Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center

Dalton, GA

Free Parking

Show information Tom Youngblood

Tom.youngblood@att.net

www.gamoney.org

Future shows

April 11 - 13, 2014

April 17 - 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society

April 24 - 27, 2013

Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,

Schaumburg, IL.

Auction Heritage Auctions (www.ha.com)

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN Activities

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

www.centralstates.info/

Future shows

April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL

April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL

April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL

Richmond Coin Show

May 3 - 5, 2013

Richmond, VA

Clarion Hotel

Free Admission and Parking

Show information Connie Robertson

Connie3798@verizon.net

www.richmondcoinclub.com

American Numismatic Association

National Money Show

May 9 - 11, 2013

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New Orleans, LA

Auction by Stacks Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

Discount coupons at www.money.org

Email convention@money.org

Garden State Numismatic Association

May 16 - 18, 2013

Denver Coin Expo

May 17 - 19, 2013

National Western Expo Hall

Denver, CO

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page www.denverxposhows.com

Texas Numismatic Association

55th Annual Coin Convention

May 31 - June 2, 2013

Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall

Fort Worth, TX

Admission for non members TNA & YNs

Show information Doug and Mary Davis

www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo

June 6 - 9, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

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Contact David Crenshaw

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www.whitman.com/expos

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

June 6 - 8, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

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or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Future shows

Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014

Jun 5-7, 2014

Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show

June 14 16, 2013

Cook Convention Center East Hall

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://new.lynnknight.com/LK/>

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Doug Davis

dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention

July 11 - 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Educational Programs

And Exhibits (non competitive)

Free Admission

Show information Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

www.funtopics.com

SoCal Coin & Currency Show

July 18 - 20, 2013

Ontario Convention Center

Ontario, CA

Show information www.ckshows.com

(888) 330-5188

Missouri Numismatic Society

July 25 - 27, 2013

St. Charles Convention Center

St. Charles, MO

Free Admission and Parking

YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar

Auction Scotsman Auction Co.

www.scoins.com

Show information Sid Nusbaum

Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

American Numismatic Association

Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)

August 13 - 17, 2013

Donald E. Stephens Convention Center

Chicago/Rosemont

Auction by Stacks-Bowers

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Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

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Email convention@money.org

Future shows

August 5 - 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont

August 11 - 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Philadelphia Expo

September 19 - 21, 2013

Philadelphia Convention Center

Philadelphia, PA

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Editor's Note: This Gram was written on the date indicated and we were unable to send it from any of the UK wifi sites. There are two more Grams to come that were composed while we were away. Look for them this week

Dear Editor,

Neil Shafer suggested I send this letter to you for the Gram.. I discovered this letter in an estate of mainly Japanese and Allied Military script which I am appraising. The letter was typewritten on an onion skin type of paper and is still very readable. It appears to be from a Japanese officer to a friend who may have been still holding out against the victorious allies at the end of WW. II. It mentions the A-bomb attacks on Nagasaki and Hiroshima. It includes references to the Emperor and his end of the war activities.

It is a fascinating piece of original history which I thought your readers might like to read.

Regards,

Ray Lockwood - Education Director
Central States Numismatic Society

Excuse me sir:

I am not a suspicious one, but Japanese officer. According to Imperial Rescript issued at August 14, 1945, the war finished already, therefore I explain to you which resist for U.S. Army at the trench or jungle of Nakagashira, Shimajiri until last.

I dare to say you (including Japanese civilian) that you are now against our Imperial Rescript. You know

even I, entered just in the U.S. Armys hand from the Shimajiri district after truce. That is the reason I wish to let you know present circumstance as soon as possible which you are enduring for lot of trouble in the foxhole or trench life. As a matter of fact the war ended. I am not an American spy, but I must tell you real factunbelievable fact I know as a Japanese. Nobody trust the non-conditional surrender for the allied forces. But fact is fact. As a condition to keep the Imperial Household by Allied countries, Emperor accepted Potsdam Declaration. In adding to such situation that U.S.S.R. declare war against Japan at the date of Aug. 7, 1945 and U.S. Army begin to use an atomic bomb. When I heard that A-Bomb power I never believed such casualties and damages as though City of Hiroshima crashed about 70% and city of Nagasaki is destroyed about 40%. Numerous human beings suffered instantly. But that is true. However, it is a very awful matter. I heard from the wind voice at the time of last Congress, Emperor insisted that Emperor cannot oblige to increase the victim any more than present time. I and my partners endeavor to rescue the soldier which trying vainful resistance form Shimajari District.

Now we succeeded to rescue more 2000 Japanese including several high rank and highest Commander. It is not a shameful thing that in order to Emperor, several million Jap troops surrendered simultaneously. At present about 10 thousands living in Yaka district peacefully. U.S. Army treated us very kindly in spite of our terrible presumption. In the matter with civilian 200,000 more people is living safety in the separate peace. Please believe what I say. I repeat to say that I am not a American spy absolutely. I desire with my heartfelt that let you know the real and correct circumstance. Since U.S. Army advanced in Japan August 24, the Japanese demobilization have been finished completely. Okinawa will be very important base for U.S.A. as supervisor of Japan. Hundreds ships are removing now. It look like so. Please give my your answer as soon as you read. I will explain for your doubtful things. I know there are dead so many your comrade, but however we are very regret but we must obey for our Emperors order. Or will you choice

innocent death? And I hope let all of your friends know real
circumstance. Waiting your answer.
Captain Cushikata

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly
solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!
While not directly related to military numismatics, this question does
have a d i s t a n t connection:

What was the series/year the BEP first printed small sized notes? And
whose portrait was on the largest denomination?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

Our normal policy is to suspend questions while we are away. We have had
some answers to the latest questions and I will hold them until we return
home on 8 October. In the meantime, if you have an answer please send it
in.

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EDITORIAL

Glasgow, Scotland

We have been in the UK for about a week. We started off in London and
spent a day and then left for our tour going north to York and Coventry.
While in London there was very little time to look for anything
numismatic, but we will have three free days at the end of the tour,
including the London Fair, to add some notes to the collection. There
were no opportunities in either York or Coventry either, despite some
free time to walk around the shops. Wendy did get a nice new fiver in
change in York and we will make that our personal short snorter for
England for this trip. We did visit St. Michaels in Coventry. There are
two parts to this church, the original consists only on the outer walls
and some statuary which are the remains of extensive bombing during World
War II.

At the border to Scotland there is a large rock letting you know you have
arrived. There was also a Scot with a set of bagpipes who acted as the
welcoming committee. Going across was no problem as long as you paid the
piper. Our first pit stop was in Jedburgh.

Of course there is a souvenir shop which led to the first numismatic
experience of the tour.

As many of you may know, Scotland has its own paper currency which is on
par with the British pound. It was in Jedburgh that I was able to get my
first Scottish note, a fiver from the Royal Bank of Scotland. There are
two more banks that issue notes and my quest began for the other two
examples.

Our next stop was Edinburg where we would stay for two nights. We had a
tour of the castle which included a large room dedicated to all the
military from Scotland that lost their lives in all wars. The usual
uniforms and regimental colors were on display.

We toured some of the other sites in the city and in doing so I was able
to find a nice fiver from the Bank of Scotland. The next day we opted for

a tour of the now decommissioned Royal Yacht Britannia, an impressive ship fit for a king, or in this case, a queen. A local bookstore with a section on military history not only netted me a new book, but the final note; a five pound note from the Clydesdale Bank, and no, there were no horses depicted.

The next morning we were off again and our first stop was Stirling Castle. The fortress dates back to Robert the Bruce and from about 1850 through the mid 1960s served as headquarters for the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Regiment. The regiment keeps a museum on the grounds and it contains a very well done and colorful display of uniforms, weapons and medals, but, surprisingly, no numismatic items. I would have thought there would have been at least a small representation from either of the World Wars.

Our next stop was Loch Lomond and due to some heavy rain last week and a tree or two down we had to decide to take either the high road or the low road to see which would get us there more quickly. We opted for the high road and we got there ahead of schedule. After a pleasant boat ride, complete with a bracing cup of coffee, we headed for Glasgow for the night.

To be continued..

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three \$1

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Series 1943A 500 Lire

If you can help me, please let me know.

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

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donn@rememberingokinawa.com

WANTED

I need a Hungarian 1 pengo note to complete my set of Hungarian ultra inflation notes from 1 pengo to the pengo note of 21 zeros. So, I'm looking for either the Hungarian 1 pengo note, 1938 Pick #102 or #114 in VF or better. Thanks, Ken Hallenbeck, email: kenhallenbeck@comcast.net.

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November 8 - 11, 2012

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
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Virginia Beach Coin Show
February 16 17, 2013
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New Berlin Ale House
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Michigan State Numismatic Society
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Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center
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Future shows
April 11 13, 2014
April 17 19, 2015
Central States Numismatic Society
April 24 - 27, 2013
Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL.
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Show information Kevin Foley
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Future shows
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April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL
April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL
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June 6 - 9, 2013
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Support for World War II,
by Bill Myers

I recently purchased a copy of the November 1942 issue of Screenland magazine on E-bay. I was attracted by the cover, which has Dorothy Lamoure holding five stamp books for Defense Bonds (\$25 x 2, \$50 x 1, \$100 x 2) in her right hand and three \$100 Defense Bonds in her left hand. I thumbed through the magazine and was amazed how much of it was about the war and supported the war effort. Below are some of the items I found that were about or in support of the war.

- An ad for the Flying Tiger movie with John Wayne.
- An ad for the movie Tales of Manhattan with a shield in the corner that says Buy a War Bond as a Salute to your Heroes.
- A Listerine ad with a woman and four men in uniform around her.
- An article titled Betty Grable Writes a Letter to the Boys in Service.
- An article titled Are Women in Danger of Losing their Femininity? (because they are doing the jobs men used to do).
- An article titled There is Something about a Soldier, with a series of pictures from the movie The War Against Mrs. Hadley.

- An article titled Rudy Vallees Love Quest shows him in uniform as a Coast Guard chief petty officer. He was allowed to do his radio show and the \$5000 salary was donated to the Coast Guard Welfare Committee.
-Marjorie Reynolds is pictured dancing with servicemen.
-There is a pictorial spread of Mary Byrne, who was an OPA secretary in the Lead, Tin and Zinc Division, who was selected as Washingtons most glamorous working girl [it would seem the definition of "working girl" had a different meaning during the war - Ed] and got a role in the movie They Got Me Covered. -There is a long article that is Gene Autrys Advice to the Youth in War Time.
-An article on The Pied Piper which is a movie where an old English gentleman outwitted Nazi terrorism.
-An ad by Phillip Morris where a bellhop is holding a sign that has the Minuteman on it with Buy United States War Savings Bonds Stamps.
-A small ad that has the Minuteman on a flag and states Pledge Your Support - Buy War Savings Bonds and Stamps.
-An ad on the back of the magazine for Chesterfield cigarettes with Air Warden Rosalind Russell from the movie My Sister Eileen. In the corner is a rectangle with a drawing of a twin engine plane with Buy U.S. Bonds. Stamps on the wing and Keep it Up! next to it. In the corner of that box there is another box with a 2 mm tall Minuteman on it.

I certainly found there was a lot of support for the war in this 90 page 15cent magazine.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What number appears the face of Korean MPC Coupons Series 2 and why?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

While not directly related to military numismatics, this question does have a d i s t a n t connection:

What was the series/year the BEP first printed small sized notes? And whose portrait was on the largest denomination?

ANSWER:

Following is myfeebleattempt, to answer the Championship Question(s), "What was the series/year the BEP first printed small sized notes? And whose portrait was on the largest denomination?" Really this is more of a guess only because I enjoy thecriticism. First small sized notes series is Silver Certificates of Series 1928, Tale Melon signatures. The end of the tenure for this signature combination was 1-17-1929 so the printing was probably in 1928. But the introduction of the

notes was not until 7-10-1929. Largest denomination in the 1928 series silver certificates is \$10 note. Portrait is of Alexander Hamilton. I am on pins & needles awaiting the rebuke from those more informed and better educated than myself.

Thanks,
John Phipps

ANSWER:

The BEP changed over to small sized notes beginning with series 1928 and the largest note is the \$100,000 note which features Woodrow Wilson (series 1934) who is also on the \$500 war bond.

Myers

ANSWER:

An answer to the question about when the BEP first printed small size notes: The question as stated does not specify whether the small size notes were US or otherwise. Some folks even classify the US-Philippine series as an off-shoot of US currency. In any event the BEP first printed small-size currency in 1903 for use in the U.S. territory of the Philippines. Denominations were 2, 5 and 10 pesos, with Washington on the 10, the highest denomination. It was not until the 1928-dated U. S. notes came out in the various series that the U.S. itself went to the Philippine-size dimensions for its regular currency.

Neil Shafer

ANSWER:

I believe that Series 611 was the first printed by BEP. Haven't yet found the portrait data.

John Cheney

I'll admit to a little trickery on my part. Neil came up with the answer I was looking for - Ed

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EDITORIAL

This was written on 5 October and we were unable to send out a Gram. Since we are actually back home, I have included a number of letters in Mail Call and posted a new question. There is still another Gram from London which was written on the 7th.

London, England

We arrived in Glasgow in time for dinner and not much else. In the morning we had a bus tour of the city and there was no opportunity to seek out any numismatic locales. We were then off to the Lake District in western England which is quite lovely, as they say over here. The tour included another boat ride on the lake which ended with a short ride on an old steam train. Not on the lake of course, after we got off the boat. A great time, despite the rain; but no numismatic news to report.

Our next stop was Cardiff in Wales. Now Wales is another country, a Principality in fact, but it uses the same currency as England, so there was no opportunity to get a personal short snorter. We had a castle tour, a nice dinner and a show, some souvenirs, but no coin or stamp shops to browse through. We were then off to Bath to visit the Roman baths (no swimming permitted) where I was finally able to see some coins, but they were in display cases. After Bath we visited small village called Glastonbury. There was nothing numismatic there, but we felt like we were back in the nineteen sixties as we viewed the shop windows and dress of the locals. The town is the burial site of King Arthur of round table fame.

The next day found us in Plymouth, a seaport and home to a number of Royal Navy ships. Plymouth was a very busy port during World War II with the Royal Navy occupying most of the births. Now, it is a shell of its former self, but our harbor cruise enabled us to take some close up photos of the ships.

After the cruise we were off to the moors at Dartmoor. Now if you are a mystery fan, you may know the local legend in Dartmoor was the inspiration for the Sherlock Holmes tale, the Hound of the Baskervilles. The little village on the moor is called Princetown, as the land/estate is owned by the Prince of Wales, and there are only a few homes on the small main street.

Our next stop en-route to London was in Stonehenge. The history, and it is a long one, was interesting, but when it is all said and done, the site, although historically important, is just a big pile of rocks.

We arrived in London yesterday afternoon in time to check in to our hotel and have some dinner. We experienced a delay in checking in as there was a chess tournament just finishing up and the participants were still in the lobby extolling their prowess. The hotel management was having a problem getting the players to leave. It seems the chessnuts would not stop boasting in an open foyer.

This morning Wendy expressed a desire to see the British Museum. This was fine with me and I must admit some subterfuge on my part. (There is a coin shop right across the street!). We went through the museum and eventually found our way to the money exhibit. I was curious to see what would be displayed. The history of money goes back quite a long time and the exhibit featured all sorts of items used as money in the time before coins were struck. There was quite a lot of information on coins and coinage, but not much on paper money, although some notes were on display, most of which I am sure most of us have seen before.

Anyway, after leaving the museum, we went into the Coincraft shop. (For those of you who receive the IBNS Journal, there is a photo of the shop in its advertisement). Inside there were the usual boxes containing notes and after some browsing I came up with a Hungarian note, 10,000 Pengo/P119a, which I needed for my collection. In speaking with the proprietor, I found out that he and his staff had a larger selection

notes at the London Fair which had started this morning was in progress just up the street at the Bloomsbury hotel.

That was my next stop and will be the subject of the next Gram.

And,

An important kayak race was to occur on the coldest day of the year. One participant thought he would keep warm by building a small fire in his boat, but it immediately sank. He had found out that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

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Dear Editor,

Reference Randy Po's scans:

Too bad the user did not write on it what opera he saw. I like the train ticket. The Club Hotel is a new report in that color.

Joe Boling

Dear Esteemed Editor,

Thank you for running my ad requesting a Hungarian one Pengo note. I finally bought one, so please remove my ad in this, our wonderful MPCGram. It paid off. Thanks again,
Ken Hallenbeck

Dear Editor,

The MFC lot sold to Australia.

David Seelye

Dear Editor,

Was the letter written in English? If so, why? There is no mention of the letter being a translation from Japanese. It doesn't make any sense for a Japanese writing to a Japanese to write in English.

Ken Berger

[Ken asks a valid question and I would suspect the letter was translated from the origin Japanese into English, and from the grammar, I would guess it was done by a Japanese. - Ed]

Dear Editor,

Just a reminder to all fans of paper money: there is no 't' in SCRIP!!!
Mr. Doric

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank Karen Jach for her generous donation to the Military Numismatics Scholarship Fund.
Dan & Kathy Freeland

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If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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Brooklyn Center, MN
Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409
Wall Street Collectors Bourse II
October 18 - 20, 2012
The Museum of American Finance
48 Wall Street, New York, NY
Free admission
Exhibits and Auction
Bourse Organizer: info@wallstreetbourse.com
American Numismatic Association
National Money Show
October 18 20, 2012
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Auction by Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>
Admission for non-members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723
Discount coupon at <http://www.money.org/>
Email convention@money.org
Sarasota Coin Show & Sale
October 26 28, 2012
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
Sarasota, FL
Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and
Manatee Coin Club
Free Admission and Parking
Show information
http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html
Denver Coin Expo
October 26 28, 2012
National Western Expo Hall
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>
Indiana State Numismatic Association 54th Show
November 2 3, 2012
The Indianapolis Marriott
Indianapolis, IN
Free Admission and Parking
Contact Joyce Fischer
Email kyclonels@comcast.net
<http://www.indianastatenumismatics.org/>
Tennessee State Annual Fall Coin Show
November 2 4, 2012
Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Contact Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>
PCDA National Coin and Currency Convention
November 8 - 11, 2012
Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
5440 North River Road Rosemont, IL 60018
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://www.lyknight.com/>
Possible Mini-Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
Email kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
<http://www.pcdaonline.com/>
Bay State Coin Show 48th Year
November 8 10, 2012
Best Western
Marlborough, MA
Free Parking
Contact Ed Aleo (781) 729-9677
<http://www.baystatecoinshow.com/>
Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
40th Year
November 15 18, 2012
Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>
Michigan State Numismatic Society
November 23 25, 2012
Macomb Community College South Campus
Building P Sports & Expo Center
Warren, MI
Free Admission and Parking
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN activities
Show contact Brian Mainar
Email bam68@comcast.net
Show information <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Houstons 56th Money Show of the Southwest
November 29 December 1, 2012
George R. Brown Convention Center
Greater Houston Coin Club
Show information Carl Schwenker
Email texascoins@att.net
Web site <http://www.houstoncoinshow.org/>
SoCal Coin & Currency Show
December 6 8, 2012
Ontario Convention Center
Ontario, CA
Show information <http://www.ckshows.com/>
(888) 330-5188
New York International Numismatic Convention
41st Annual show
January 10 13, 2013
Waldorf Astoria Hotel
Admission
Discount coupon at <http://www.nyinc.info/>
Multiple major auctions daily Sunday to Sunday
Educational programs
Show info Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
Florida United Numismatists 58th Convention
January 10 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Free Admission
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions
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Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities
Show info: Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
<http://www.funtopics.com/>
San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show
January 25 27, 2013
Double Tree Hotel

San Jose, CA
Educational forum
Admission
Show information <http://www.sanjosecoinclub.org/>
Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
February 7 9, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com/>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Charlotte Coin Club 43rd Annual Show
February 8 10, 2013
Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Free Admission
Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net
49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair
February 15 17, 2013
St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel
Show information Mike Orlando
(314) 504-0503
<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>
The Collectorama Show
February 15 - 17, 2013
The Lakeland Center
Lakeland FL
Show information Ed Kuszman
Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com
Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>
Virginia Beach Coin Show
February 16 17, 2013
Virginia Beach Convention Center
Free admission, Educational Exhibits
Host Tidewater Coin Club
Show information
John at (757) 222-4343
<http://www.tidewatercoinclub.org/>
Tennessee State Coin Show
March 1 -3, 2013
Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Show information Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>
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March 7 - 10, 2013

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

Rosemont, IL

Admission

Educational Programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://www.new.lynknight.com/LK/>

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

<http://www.cpmxshow.com/>

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Info - northwestcoinclub.com

Lee Quast

314-276-1162

amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual

Sunday, March 10, 2013

09:00 to 4:00 P.M.

New Berlin Ale House

16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI

For further information: <http://www.waukeshacoinclub.com/>

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March 14 - 17, 2013

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Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

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C.A.M.P Spring Show
April 5 7, 2013
Monroeville, PA
Monroeville Convention Center
Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi
<http://www.sarosicoinshows.com/>
Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention
65th Annual
April 12 14, 2013
Tukwila Community Center
Tukwila, WA
Admission
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Show information Michael Labosier
Mrlab@yahoo.com
<http://www.pnna.org/>
Chicago International Coin Fair
38th Annual
April 18 21, 2013
Admission
Educational programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
(800) 573-0333
<http://www.cicfshow.com/>
Michigan State Numismatic Society
April 19 21, 2013
Location to be decided
Show information Joe LeBlanc
jhl@michsoft.com
<http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show
April 19 21, 2013
Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center
Dalton, GA
Free Parking
Show information Tom Youngblood
Tom.youngblood@att.net
<http://www.gamoney.org/>
Future shows
April 11 13, 2014
April 17 19, 2015
Central States Numismatic Society
April 24 - 27, 2013
Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL.
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN Activities

Possible Mini Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
www.centralstates.info/
Future shows
April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL
April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL
April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL
Richmond Coin Show
May 3 5, 2013
Richmond, VA
Clarion Hotel
Free Admission and Parking
Show information Connie Robertson
Connie3798@verizon.net
<http://www.richmondcoinclub.com/>
American Numismatic Association
National Money Show
May 9 - 11, 2013
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center
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Garden State Numismatic Association
May 16 18, 2013
Denver Coin Expo
May 17 19, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
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Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
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Texas Numismatic Association
55th Annual Coin Convention
May 31 June 2, 2013
Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall
Fort Worth, TX
Admission for non members TNA & YNs
Show information Doug and Mary Davis
www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com
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June 6 - 9, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
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Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
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June 6 - 8, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
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or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014
Jun 5-7, 2014
Sep 4-6, 2014
International Paper Money Show
June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Memphis Marriott Downtown
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://new.lynnknight.com/LK/>
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Doug Davis
dopug@memphisipms.com
Summer FUN Coin Convention
July 11 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Educational Programs
And Exhibits (non competitive)
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cwibker@aol.com
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SoCal Coin & Currency Show
July 18 20, 2013
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Missouri Numismatic Society
July 25 27, 2013
St. Charles Convention Center
St. Charles, MO
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Auction Scotsman Auction Co.
www.scoins.com
Show information Sid Nusbaum
Sid1904pike@yahoo.com
American Numismatic Association
Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)
August 13 - 17, 2013
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Future shows

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Philadelphia, PA

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Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Sep 26 - 28, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

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June 5 - 7, 2014

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Denver, CO

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Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

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Wendy decided she would rather do a little shopping (no surprise there) so off she went to the underground as I went into the show. The bourse was in a nice sized room at the back of the hotel and contained forty tables in an easy to navigate layout.

After greetings I made my way over to Pam Wests table and was greeted by her husband Pete who immediately challenged me. Ever prepared, although I almost picked a 50p from my pocket of change, I was able to recover and show him my coin and the challenge was met. I wanted a ten pound Bernhard forgery to complete my set of one from each denomination. The one I currently have is autographed by Hans Walter. The note was

available and despite a couple of corner dings will fit in nicely with the others. I was also looking for a one pound propaganda piece (see SB page 165) with the Arabic text. Pam did have an example of this hard to find item, but it was literally full of holes and tears and, despite being tempted, I passed hoping in the future to find a little better example. Time will tell if I made a bad choice.

I then made my way over to the Coincraft table and found two French Indochina notes, a one piastre (1942-45 P59a) and a 20 piastre, block C, from the same time period, P71. Both were reasonably priced even after I remembered to multiply the posted price, in pounds, by 1.6 to determine the dollar equivalent.

At the entry table I caught up with some of the other members of the IBNS London Chapter (they put on the Fair) that I had not seen since Valkenburg. After a nice conversation it was over to Ian Gradons table to see what he had to offer. I spied a binder with some Italian notes and began to look through. I found a very nice example of a Repubblica Sociale 100 lira note. This is an interesting series and this was my first opportunity to have one of the notes. I also found a example of a 50 centesimi note from the Campo di Concentramento P.G. 53 which Ian had listed as Sforzacosta, Liguria. There were other denominations and all were perforated on the left margin so they appear to have been torn from a booklet. I added that to my other note and will do some research on the camp and see what information I can find.

Looking through the boxes on the table of cheques and banknote dealer Roger Outing I discovered a forged note from South Vietnam. The note, a rather crude copy of the 500 dong P 23, was stamped BAC GIA in red ink in the watermark area on both sides and, also on the back, in the bottom right corner was a rather clear fingerprint (I would guess a thumb) in black ink. The note appears to me to be a photocopy so the fingerprint is curious. Ill show it to the Master Sergeant for his opinion.

It was time to meet the bride, so off I went to the Tube and back to the hotel to see what great collectibles Wendy had come up with. Ill leave that for another report should anyone be curious.

The bourse was open at 10 on Saturday and I arrived early to meet with two IBNS members to discuss some Society business. We got to talking and it was after eleven that I was able to get back into the show. I wanted to look for some Boer War items at Simon Narbeths table as I had seen a brilliant example of a one pound Mafeking siege note in his display case. The note would have completed my set but the price (well worth it I am sure) was way out of my budget. Ill have to keep looking for a circulated example. Anyway I did find a nice one pound Oranje Vrij Staat post note and two nice examples of Spanish Civil War pieces to bring back.

The floor was busy and I had to wait at a couple of tables to get a good look through the boxes. I saw a few pieces but passed as they were either too expensive or not in a grade I would want. As I passed, I looked in one case and did see a note that at first glance looked to have a serial number of "39", but on closer inspection I saw the other numbers in the

serial were covered by an adjacent note. (Sorry Ski, I thought I had one for you)

I ended up again at Ian Gradons table and wanted to look through the binder with the Italian notes again. I hadn't had a chance to talk to Ian on Friday. I asked him about some over stamped notes that were used in Liguria. He had not seen any, and knowing of my military interest, he brought out two World War II related pieces from India. The first is a piece patterned on a 50 rupees note and shows a dancing couple in what would be the watermark area. As the back describes, it is an advertising note from Jans Amusement Park in aid of the war fund. It boasts to provide you a lot of fun and frolic and an exceptionally enjoyable evening. The gate admission is 2 annas a portion of which, presumably, would go the fund.

The second piece is a serialized (Y 394) chit book from the Karachi Boat Club. The total value stated on the cover is Rs. 5. The cover also has boxes for the months of MAR. JUNE SEPT. DEC. and the years 1944 1945 1946 indicating it was for use during and after the war. The cover instructions state the booklet was valid for one year from the dates indicated by two punch holes. The booklet contains three 8 anna chits, three four anna chits, six two anna chits and two one anna chits. Missing are three 8 anna chits and one chit for a single anna. Do the math and the total value of chits in a full book would be 75 annas. Another cool item for research on a rainy day.

Ian also had a number of Certificates of Post War credit and I did add one to my collection. He had examples in different colors from various locations throughout the UK. These are interesting pieces and they present any number of different collecting opportunities. If you have an interest, [Warning - shameless plug ahead] I'm sure Ian would love to hear from you. Contact him through the Gram or directly at ian@worldnotes.co.uk.

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Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What was the Nomonhan Incident of 1939?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What number appears the face of Korean MPC Coupon s Series 2 and why?

ANSWER:

702; thought used because it was to be used with MPC series 701.

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EDITORIAL

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Today's feature is the last from the UK and was written the day before we left for home. London is a great city with a lot of history and we have been there twice and hope to go again.

The London Fair was again a very enjoyable experience. The London Chapter of the IBNS is to be complimented on another fine show. I always enjoy getting reacquainted and talking with the chapter members and the dealers and to having an opportunity to see some new material. If you haven't been, I highly recommend going.

Fred has asked me to inquire about our Fester/Gramster group organizing a topical chapter as part of the IBNS. Forming the chapter requires five IBNS members two of which, a president and a corresponding secretary, would be appointed. The Fest and minifests would constitute our meetings and would be the subject of brief reports to be published in the IBNS Journals. There are no dues. The advantage would be worldwide exposure of military numismatics through the IBNS Journal reports. If you have an interest let us know and we can go forward.

And...

Once there was a wise old Indian chief named Shortcake. His wife took care of folks who used to line up and sometimes wait for hours before they could get in to absorb some of his great knowledge. One day there was a sign posted: Shortcake very sick, cannot talk to anyone now. A couple of days later there was another sign: Chief dead: today Squaw Bury Shortcake.

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Dear Esteemed Editor,

I made it to Viet Nam and catching up on a ton of emails. One email was from International Numismatics with their auctions. There are several VERY nice Gramster lots in this auction!!! Go to:

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The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

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for Peppiatt)

ColinBruce @ KandyBruce@hotmail.com

Dear Editor,

I was wondering whether anyone would get the right answer to the BEP-small currency question. Of course the guy who wrote the book would have the information.

And regarding your report that "Plymouth was a very busy port during World War II with the Royal Navy occupying most of the births." The swabbies got everyone in a family way, eh?

My guess on the letter to the Japanese holdouts was that the individual going to talk to them had to submit his intended message to the occupation authorities in advance, and this is the result. Ray, what's the watermark in the paper?

Joe Boling

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If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

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chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single
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Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
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November 2 - 4, 2012
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November 8 - 11, 2012

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
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Possible Mini-Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
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<http://www.pcdaonline.com/>
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November 8 10, 2012
Best Western
Marlborough, MA
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Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN activities
Show contact Brian Mainar
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November 29 December 1, 2012
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December 6 8, 2012
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Ontario, CA
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February 7 9, 2013
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Long Beach, CA
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February 8 10, 2013
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Show information Jerry Sajbel
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February 15 17, 2013
St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel
Show information Mike Orlando
(314) 504-0503
<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>
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February 15 - 17, 2013
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Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>
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March 1 -3, 2013
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Chattanooga, TN
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Info - northwestcoinclub.com
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New Berlin Ale House
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For further information: <http://www.waukeshacoinclub.com/>
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March 14 - 17, 2013
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<http://www.pnna.org/>
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38th Annual
April 18 21, 2013
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(800) 573-0333
<http://www.cicfshow.com/>
Michigan State Numismatic Society
April 19 21, 2013
Location to be decided
Show information Joe LeBlanc
jhl@michsoft.com

<http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show
April 19 21, 2013
Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center
Dalton, GA
Free Parking
Show information Tom Youngblood
Tom.youngblood@att.net
<http://www.gamoney.org/>
Future shows
April 11 13, 2014
April 17 19, 2015
Central States Numismatic Society
April 24 - 27, 2013
Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL.
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN Activities
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
www.centralstates.info/
Future shows
April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL
April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL
April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL
Richmond Coin Show
May 3 5, 2013
Richmond, VA
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Exhibits and Educational Programs
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May 16 18, 2013
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May 17 19, 2013
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May 31 June 2, 2013
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Fort Worth, TX
Admission for non members TNA & YNs
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Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo
June 6 - 9, 2013
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International Paper Money Show
June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
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August 13 - 17, 2013
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Where is the World is Howard Daniel

I started writing this in my Saigon home office just before 6AM and I have been up since 3:30AM. That is about my usual time to rise over here because I can get a lot of things done on the Internet before the city awakes and the Internet slows WAY down. But being an old fart of 71 (72 here in Viet Nam), I take a siesta from about 1-3PM to reenergize my old body. My wife just said I need to reenergize my brain too but everyone knows that is impossible. She is doing her emails now too.

Yes, my wife is here with me now because she retired on September 7. It was supposed to be July 6, but her employer, FINRA, kept talking her into extending her time. They have also offered her part time work when we return to Virginia in late February 2013. We shall see what happens but I am hoping she turns them down. With her retiring in September, it gave us only about three weeks, instead of three months, to get her/our financial, legal and some personal affairs completed before we departed on

October 3, and we did not complete everything. So when we return in late February 2013, we have a bunch of things to do, to include our lastcomplicated Federal tax returns.

My former "completely open to my choosing" numismatic schedule is now gone. Phung will be traveling with me to many places around the USA and eventually to Europe. She is also accompanying me on some of my trips around S.E. Asia. She was going to accompany me to Michael Chou's event in Hong Kong in late November/early December, where I was going to give a talk on the earliest Cambodian coins but it was cancelled because Michael has a very serious health problem. He did not tell me what is the problem. But I will accompany her to Taipei to visit one of her former staff in mid-February 2013, and I will also be seeing Ker-Min Lee there. Ker-Min is a collector and dealer in Chinese paper money and was started in it by William "Bill" G. Henderson. You have probably met him at some past Memphis shows. It will be very good to see him again. My plans are to also visit Singapore, Bangkok, Phnom Penh, Vientiane and Hanoi.

Now to my USA schedule. First, I will not be attending the January 2013 FUN Show because I will be over here in Viet Nam. But I am thinking that our MPC Gram esteemed editor, Roger, will be setting up an IBNSclub table and reserving a room for a meeting and Mini-Fest. If I am wrong, he can correct me.

Second, is that I will not be attending MPC Fest XIV from March 15-17, 2013. I know one or two of you (hopefully Kim) will be disappointed not to see me there but most will be very happy. One of the disappointed will be Fred because he has to find a new First Sergeant for D Company. There are just too many things we have to do between coming back from over here and getting our taxes and other things done. Yes, I do have a life outside of numismatics. But I am thinking of setting up an IBNS/NI club table and meetings at the Baltimore Whitman Coin Expo, which will be happening March 14-17, 2013. I can commute from my condo in Northern Virginia so I can still sign paperwork and see Phung everyday, and I might even be able to ride with Daryl Spelbring and David Gotkin, if David is not driving.

Third is that Phung and I will be attending the Memphis show and I will set up the IBNS/NI club table there. After the show, we will be driving to Colorado Springs, where we will be visiting with some OLD friends who we have known since being stationed in Heidelberg in the late 1970s. I do not think I will have time to attend the ANA Summer Seminars because of my activities with Phung and our friends, but I am hoping to get into the ANA Library for at least a day or two, and to visit the Festers and Gramsters attending/instructing one or more of the seminars. This will likely be an annual event for Phung and I so attending one of the seminars is a future possibility. After Colorado Springs, we are driving into Nevada and California to see friends and will end up down in San Diego. From San Diego, we will be driving back on I-10/I-20 to visit friends and see some places Phung has wanted to see. With a long drive after Memphis, I doubt I can set up a club table at the July 2013 FUN Show but a future one is possible.

Fourth is that we will be attending the ANA Convention in Chicago but not everyday of it. We will arrive on Tuesday and I will hopefully set up my first exhibit at an ANA. We will depart Chicago that same day for central Wisconsin to visit Colin Bruce and his wife Kandy. Phung has heard me talk about them and the many stores, farms and restaurants selling cheeses and sausages, and she is going to taste ALL of them! Most of the Krause staff will be in Chicago so no visit to their headquarters. Then over to Sheboygan to bother Bruce Smith and his wife, if he is not in Chicago that day, and to visit the Hmong stores and Laos War Memorial in his city. Then back to the ANA on Friday for the banquet, take down my exhibit on Saturday, and depart on the same day. We will be visiting friends and relatives in the Midwest as we drive back to Virginia.

Fifth is that we will very likely be attending MidAtlantic shows in a day or overnight drive to and back from them. There are plenty of these shows in some small towns and cities which Phung wants to visit to see the countryside and shops. We also have some friends and relatives in some places who we have not visited in many years, so we will kill a lot of birds with one stone.

In between all of the above, we also must do a lot of preparing for the next 5-6 months trip to Viet Nam starting around October 1. This last time, we shipped five large boxes and carried four large suitcases on the plane. The amount of stuff we bring will go down with each trip but we need a certain amount of stuff to live over here that is not available here or is more expensive than shipping it from the USA. Besides all of the above, I will be continuing to work on my catalogs and have them published over here, and to arrange a future Mini-Fest in Viet Nam.

That is it for now. I hope to see all of you at future events and I might even be knocking on your front door one of these days. I can hear the talk now behind the peephole.
The Master Sergeant Daniel at Howard@SEAsianTreasury.com

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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What is said to have been prepared by Hungarian forces for the occupation of Baseska?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What was the Nomonhan Incident of 1939?

ANSWER:

Also known as the Battle of Khalkhyn Gol (Khalkha River). The border between Manchukuo, a Japanese puppet state, and Mongolia's Peoples Republic, a puppet state of the Soviet Union, was in dispute. Japan felt it was Khalkhyn Gol and the Soviet Union thought it was 16 kilometers (9.9 mi) east of the river, just east of Nomonhan village. On 11 May 1939 Mongolian cavalry grazed their horses in the disputed area and the Japanese drove them out. This led to a full scale battle that lasted through August when the Japanese forces were surrounded by the Soviets and destroyed. A cease-fire was signed in Moscow on 15 September. Now that Stalin had no threat in the east he could concentrate on the west and proceeded with the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact and invaded Poland on 17 September.

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EDITORIAL

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That's a very ambitious schedule the Master Sergeant has planned. I'll have to ask him to show me his passport the next time I see him which will not be at Fest but in Memphis. We have been giving presentations there for the past three years and that should continue. We do need to decide on a topic, but we have a little time to do that. And, yes, there will be an IBNS table and a meeting at Fun in January. There will also be a numismatic presentation and if no separate meeting is scheduled for the minifest, we can also make that a part of the IBNS meeting.

Then Wall Street Collectors Bourse is now going on and I had planned to attend, but work and some other issues intervened and I didn't make it. The Dallas ANA show is also in progress and I am sure there are some of our readers in attendance. I won't name names; but you know who you are David and Joe. I would ask for a brief report.

And,

On top of the highest mountain in Switzerland there was a tall church with a belfry containing such a large bell that whenever it was rung it filled the whole valley with a wonderful sound. But the bell-ringer had done this job for 50 years, and he could not think of doing it again. So the sign went up: Wanted, One Bell-Ringer. No one applied. After some weeks one man stepped up and said he would try to do it. But you have no arms, how do you expect to do this job? Lets go upstairs, he said. He got there, stared at the bell for a moment, ran at it, and there was a great sound. Not bad, can you do it again? He looked at the bell harder, ran faster and the sound was even better than before. OK, you do that one more time and you have the job! This time he went all the way back to the wall, ran so fast that he missed the bell entirely, tumbling out the window and all the way down. Everyone ran out, gathered around him, and

someone said,What happened? Who is this guy? Another person said, I don't know his name, but his face sure rings a bell!
Sequel: A second individual, no arms, three times and out just as before. They gathered around him too and someone asked, Who is this guy? Another person said, I don't know his name either, but he sure is a dead ringer for the other guy!

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Dear Editor,
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Donations to the scholarship fund may be made by sending a check made out to the Military Numismatics Scholarship Fund. Mail checks to Dan Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744-0195.

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SHOW CALENDAR - 2012 - 2013

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Wall Street Collectors Bourse II

October 18 - 20, 2012

The Museum of American Finance

48 Wall Street, New York, NY

Free admission

Exhibits and Auction

Bourse Organizer: info@wallstreetbourse.com

American Numismatic Association

National Money Show

October 18 - 20, 2012

Dallas Convention Center

Auction by Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>

Admission for non-members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

Discount coupon at <http://www.money.org/>

Email convention@money.org

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale

October 26 - 28, 2012

Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Sarasota, FL

Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and

Manatee Coin Club

Free Admission and Parking

Show information

http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Denver Coin Expo

October 26 - 28, 2012

National Western Expo Hall

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

Indiana State Numismatic Association 54th Show

November 2 - 3, 2012

The Indianapolis Marriott

Indianapolis, IN
Free Admission and Parking
Contact Joyce Fischer
Email kycolonels@comcast.net
<http://www.indianastatenumismatics.org/>

Tennessee State Annual Fall Coin Show
November 2 4, 2012
Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Contact Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>

PCDA National Coin and Currency Convention
November 8 - 11, 2012
Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
5440 North River Road Rosemont, IL 60018
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://www.lyknight.com/>
Possible Mini-Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
Email kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
<http://www.pcdaonline.com/>

Bay State Coin Show 48th Year
November 8 10, 2012
Best Western
Marlborough, MA
Free Parking
Contact Ed Aleo (781) 729-9677
<http://www.baystatecoinshow.com/>

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
40th Year
November 15 18, 2012
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>

Michigan State Numismatic Society
November 23 25, 2012
Macomb Community College South Campus
Building P Sports & Expo Center
Warren, MI
Free Admission and Parking
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN activities
Show contact Brian Mainar
Email bam68@comcast.net

Show information <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Houstons 56th Money Show of the Southwest
November 29 December 1, 2012
George R. Brown Convention Center
Greater Houston Coin Club
Show information Carl Schwenker
Email texascoins@att.net
Web site <http://www.houstoncoinshow.org/>

SoCal Coin & Currency Show
December 6 8, 2012
Ontario Convention Center
Ontario, CA
Show information <http://www.ckshows.com/>
(888) 330-5188

New York International Numismatic Convention
41st Annual show
January 10 13, 2013
Waldorf Astoria Hotel
Admission
Discount coupon at <http://www.nyinc.info/>
Multiple major auctions daily Sunday to Sunday
Educational programs
Show info Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

Florida United Numismatists 58th Convention
January 10 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Free Admission
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions
<http://www.ha.com/>
Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities
Show info: Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
<http://www.funtopics.com/>

San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show
January 25 27, 2013
Double Tree Hotel
San Jose, CA
Educational forum
Admission
Show information <http://www.sanjosecoinclub.org/>
Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
February 7 9, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com/>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Charlotte Coin Club 43rd Annual Show
February 8 - 10, 2013
Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Free Admission
Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair
February 15 - 17, 2013
St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel
Show information Mike Orlando
(314) 504-0503
<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>

The Collectorama Show
February 15 - 17, 2013
The Lakeland Center
Lakeland FL
Show information Ed Kuszman
Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com
Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show
February 16 - 17, 2013
Virginia Beach Convention Center
Free admission, Educational Exhibits
Host Tidewater Coin Club
Show information
John at (757) 222-4343
<http://www.tidewatercoinclub.org/>
Tennessee State Coin Show
March 1 - 3, 2013
Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Show information Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale
March 1 - 3, 2013
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
Sarasota, FL
Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and
Manatee Coin Club
Free Admission and Parking
Show information
http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual
March 7 - 10, 2013
Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
Rosemont, IL
Admission

Educational Programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://www.new.lynknight.com/LK/>
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
<http://www.cpmxshow.com/>

MPC FEST XIV
March 15, 16, 17 2013
Holiday Inn Express
Port Clinton, OH
Friday Bourse
March Madness
Educational Presentations
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Register for the Fest by calling Kim at the Fest Holiday Inn Express:
419 732-7322.
CPMX-FEST - Interested parties:
Bill Myers, Roger Urce

Northwest Coin Club's 79th Annual Money Show
March 15, 16, 17th, 2013
Earle Brown Heritage Center
6155 Earle Brown Drive, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
Free Admittance - Free Parking
Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700
Info - northwestcoinclub.com
Lee Quast
314-276-1162
amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual
Sunday, March 10, 2013
09:00 to 4:00 P.M.
New Berlin Ale House
16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI
For further information: <http://www.waukeshacoinclub.com/>

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
March 14 - 17, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>

Northwest Coin Clubs 79th Annual show
March 15 17, 2013
Earle Browne Heritage Center
Brooklyn Center, MN
Show information Lee Quast

(314) 276-1162
amerishow@gmail.com

C.A.M.P Spring Show
April 5 7, 2013
Monroeville, PA
Monroeville Convention Center
Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi
<http://www.sarosicoinshows.com/>

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention
65th Annual
April 12 14, 2013
Tukwila Community Center
Tukwila, WA
Admission
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Show information Michael Labosier
Mrlab@yahoo.com
<http://www.pnna.org/>

Chicago International Coin Fair
38th Annual
April 18 21, 2013
Admission
Educational programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
(800) 573-0333
<http://www.cicfshow.com/>

Michigan State Numismatic Society
April 19 21, 2013
Location to be decided
Show information Joe LeBlanc
jhl@michsoft.com
<http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show
April 19 21, 2013
Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center
Dalton, GA
Free Parking
Show information Tom Youngblood
Tom.youngblood@att.net
<http://www.gamoney.org/>
Future shows
April 11 13, 2014
April 17 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society
April 24 - 27, 2013

Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL.
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN Activities
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
www.centralstates.info/
Future shows
April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL
April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL
April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL
Richmond Coin Show
May 3 5, 2013
Richmond, VA
Clarion Hotel
Free Admission and Parking
Show information Connie Robertson
Connie3798@verizon.net
<http://www.richmondcoinclub.com/>

American Numismatic Association
National Money Show
May 9 - 11, 2013
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center
New Orleans, LA
Auction by Stacks Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Admission for non members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Discount coupons at <http://www.money.org/>
Email convention@money.org

Garden State Numismatic Association
May 16 18, 2013
Denver Coin Expo
May 17 19, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
Denver, CO
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

Texas Numismatic Association
55th Annual Coin Convention
May 31 June 2, 2013
Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall
Fort Worth, TX
Admission for non members TNA & YNs
Show information Doug and Mary Davis
www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo
June 6 - 9, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
www.whitman.com/expos

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
June 6 - 8, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014
Jun 5-7, 2014
Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show
June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Memphis Marriott Downtown
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://new.lynnknight.com/LK/>
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Doug Davis
dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention
July 11 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Educational Programs
And Exhibits (non competitive)
Free Admission
Show information Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
www.funtopics.com

SoCal Coin & Currency Show
July 18 20, 2013
Ontario Convention Center
Ontario, CA
Show information www.ckshows.com
(888) 330-5188
Missouri Numismatic Society
July 25 27, 2013
St. Charles Convention Center
St. Charles, MO
Free Admission and Parking

YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar
Auction Scotsman Auction Co.
www.scoins.com
Show information Sid Nusbaum
Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

American Numismatic Association
Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)
August 13 - 17, 2013
Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
Chicago/Rosemont
Auction by Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Admission for non members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Visit www.money.org
Email convention@money.org
Future shows
August 5 - 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont
August 11 - 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Philadelphia Expo
September 19 - 21, 2013
Philadelphia Convention Center
Philadelphia, PA
Auction Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
www.whitmanbooks.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Sep 26 - 28, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
June 5 - 7, 2014
September 4 - 6, 2014
Moon Coin Show
October 11 - 13, 2013
Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)
118 tables
Free Admission and Parking
Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Denver Coin Expo
October 25 - 27, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
Denver, CO
154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
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Philippine Collectors News,
by Ray Czahor

1. I have started to list consignments for the next Mailbid XVIII which I plan to mail out in late Fall. This will be a full sale of more WWII books(I already listed four nice book consignments with no duplication!), Philippine coins, tokens & medals(lots), US/PI currency, JIM, Republic currency, and stamps. Consignments for this auction has closed. I have about 25 consignments and I expect the sale to be about 2000 lots.

2, Those of you who are attending the Professional Currency dealers Association's National Currency and Coin Convention , Nov 8-11, in Chicago, look for a fabulous sale of Philippine currency, in some respects similar to Dr. Pineda's in rarity of notes. I haven't seen any catalog yet however but know the collection.

3. As many of you know the Philippine Collectors Forum met in a special meeting on June 9th in conjunction with Lyn Knight's sale of the Pineda collection. John Riley that meeting and composed a summary which was offered to the Numismatist. However, they only included a very small writeup in their September issue with no photos and I was disappointed. Thus you will see below John's complete writeup of that noteworthy meeting. Enjoy!

4. PCGS is floating several ideas for new registry sets for the Philippines: Pulling all varieties out of existing registry into a separate one and possibly having a circulated business strike only set. Contact them directly if you have interest.

5. Reference the International Bank Note Society Journal, Vol 51 Number 3, 2012, pages 12-16. Barbara A. Bither wrote a fabulous article on the design of the 1903 Silver Certificates, first US issues for the Philippines and talked about other 1905 and 1906 issues. She was a researcher for the National Resource Center, Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington, D.C. I say "was" because I just learned this week she passed away on June 29th of this year at the young age of 58.

6. I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, the popular 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$22. It contains photos for grading Philippine coins and photos of many varieties listed in the catalog.

7. I have received the 2012 7th Edition of US/Philippine Coins. Mr. Culhane has added a Spanish section to the catalog. The grading descriptions were deleted and no photos of varieties are included so you will need to refer back to the 6th edition for those. Cost of the new edition is \$28 Postpaid in the USA.

8. I also have available: "History and Mintage Philippine Counter-stamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, MD. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counter-stamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate.

9. I have restocked my supply of the professionally made blue Philippine coin albums. Please contact me for price and availability of specific albums. There are now ten albums starting with the Spanish series through the Republic series.

10. There appears to be a recent flurry of encapsulated 1906S Pesos, even from the well-known companies, that appear to be spurious. I will send my 2004 (published by ANA) study of the die characteristics of Philippine 1906S Pesos. There are plenty of photos and descriptions plus photos of fakes in it. Cost postpaid is \$8.

Email: cookiejarpi@verizon.net

MEMPHIS PHILIPPINES MEETING A LIFETIME EXPERIENCE

For the 36th consecutive year, Memphis, Tennessee hosted the International

Paper Money Show and, as a special feature this year, included at auction the spectacular lifetime collection of Philippines numismatics collected by California neurologist Greg Pineda.

The Philippine Collectors Forum (PCF) convened for the 10th time in a special session on Saturday, June 9th, to observe the event of the next day's auction and to celebrate the architect of the great collection, Dr. Pineda himself. The PCF is a volunteer collector group, focused on education, that is

recognized by the American Numismatic Association and is supported

entirely by donations. The Saturday PCF meeting was introduced by Lyn Knight and Joel Shafer,

who welcomed the group to Memphis and provided every hospitality to the group. There were 45 attendees at the PCF, a new high.

Philippine coins and paper money are significant to many United States collections as the circulating and commemorative issues of 1903-45 are U.S. territorial issues, the only series so designated.

The auction was highly noteworthy as Dr. Pineda's collection is considered by specialists to be the most complete, highest quality set of Spanish, U.S. Territorial and Republic-period Paper Money, Coins, and Medals to be placed on the market at any one time.

More importantly, however, were the individual contributors to the formation, enjoyment, and eventual sharing of this remarkable achievement. Professional acquaintances and later close friends, Dr. Pineda first

corresponded with Hall of Fame Numismatist Neil Shafer in the 1960's when Shafer was a staffer at Whitman Publishing and one of the foremost authorities of the time focusing on Philippines issues. Subsequent years passed and many changes occurred in the lives of each: career advancements, cross-country (and international) moves, children and grandchildren. Time passage turned brown hair to silver; some "rare" coins and paper became common and some supposedly common items even grew scarcer!

Yet some constants did remain and, among them, were camaraderie and corroboration to build the finest collection imaginable.

The two friends met once again in the early Spring of 2012 to plan for the sale of the great collection. Dr. Pineda related, "My wife asked me if I was sick or if we were running out of money" at the time the decision was made. "No," he replied, "it was time. As the wise saying goes, we really do not own these rare items. We are just caretakers for the moment." As Dr. Pineda spoke to the PCF, he explained his gravitation to the world of numismatics from stamps, which tended to be harder to maintain in a hot and humid climate such as that of the Philippines. He emphasized the importance (and luck) of timing and, given the comparatively tiny production numbers, how the true scarcity of many of the coins and notes were not appreciated until relatively recent times.

Dr. Pineda lent a personality to some of the items; the most prized, a pattern 1907 Peso coin (one of two known), took some 20 years to chase and cajole. When the deal was done, by traveling back to the Philippines, it was a constant checking of the coin's well-being

in his pocket during the 12-hour flight! It painted an amusing picture to imagine the rare coin, tucked into a sock and shoe, going through the airport security conveyor, the doctor's every nerve on edge.

Also at the PCF, Speaker Robert Stewart shared research on elusive varieties found

within the Series of 1941 U.S./Philippines one-peso Treasury notes.

The issue is noted for processed notes intentionally aged and inserted behind World War II's enemy lines for underground allied guerilla use.

Another notable 1941 one-peso issue was prepared for U.S. Navy pilots for emergency survival funds in the event of "bailing out" over the Islands and are identifiable by serial numbers. Many 1941 series notes were intentionally destroyed on Corregidor Island in early 1942 in lieu of surrendering them to the invading Imperial Japanese Army.

Roger Urce then presented a talk on the coins and paper of the famous Culion Leper Colony as well as providing some interesting medical background on the disease of leprosy, itself, and how the colony came to be. It is apparent that the hobby is ready for new references on Culion Island material as there have been new hoards found (particularly the 1942 emergency notes) and discoveries made in recent years, some under rather questionable circumstances and values in many cases remain in great flux.

Neil Shafer, whom Dr. Pineda had chosen to catalog the next day's sale, capped off the afternoon by expressing his gratitude in the great trust his friend had placed in him. Shafer, who had auctioned

his own collection of Philippine coins in 1977, admitted that seeing and handling the numerous holdings whetted his appetite anew for collecting the coins! He described the learning moments, after years of presuming he had seen it all: for instance, the nature of the 1894 Spanish patterns in bronze - were they actually produced later, as evidenced by the "Centavos" denominations? "Centimos" was the small change currency of the era. Shafer also noted how his opinion, after 50 years, is evolving on the identity of the designer of the "So-Called" Wilson Dollar commemorating the opening of the U.S. Territorial mint in Manila - the hobby has long considered the designer to be Manila Mint employee Clifford Hewitt, new research information combined with time spent with the Pineda collection, shifts Shafer's belief that it was, in fact, U.S. master engraver George Morgan who both designed and modeled the medal. The Pineda collection held one of only about seven known Wilson "Dollars" struck in gold.

The Philippine Collectors Forum retired shortly after Shafer's talk for a memorably delicious and raucous Beale Street barbecue dinner to conclude Saturday evening and to prepare for the next day's sale.

The Dr. Greg Pineda sale is now in the record books and is better analyzed elsewhere for the market in terms of pricing. Suffice to say, the sale realized spectacular results and the watchword was QUALITY as well as SCARCITY.

Collector coins and notes reached many multiples of their suggested bid prices because they were simply the finest examples extant. Combined with many rarities (primarily large denomination banknotes) of which only a few examples survived at all, to be able to view at

one session the marriage of both rarity and quality was truly a lifetime opportunity.

The Crown Jewel of the collection, the pattern 1907 (Philadelphia-minted) Peso took a final "hammer" price of \$165,000. One must realize that this is essentially an unappreciable item, the only other one in the permanent museum of Philippine Central Bank.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What did contractor T. Stokoe create?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What is said to have been prepared by Hungarian forces for the occupation of Baseska?

ANSWER:

A stamp with 1000 on it was affixed to a Yugoslavian 1000 dinar note. I saw one in a museum in Hungary.

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EDITORIAL

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Neil Shafer's email reporting the passing of Lowell Horwedel arrived late last night. I really cannot say that I knew Lowell personally, only that I made it a point to visit his table at whatever show we happened to be at together. He had a nice stock of notes to peruse and he always seemed busy, sometimes to the point of having to come back when I could get to the boxes. I found him always to be quite pleasant and very easy to deal with. He was a long time IBNS member and had and had and was well known throughout the numismatic community. He will be missed.

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Mail Call: SEND MAIL to: MPCGram@yahoo.com

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Dear Editor,

Bad news- I got word this evening that Lowell Horwedel passed away today. Joel had heard it from Lyn- Joel thought you should know for the Gram, and he thought some information on Lowell would be found by Googling his name- which I did. There is a notice about his death already posted, so if you wanted to include something about him you can find that notice and include anything you wish about him. Hereceived aDistinguished Citizen of Indiana Award. It did not say what took him, but I had spoken with him before the CPMX show and he sounded very weak, I could barely hear him. Neil Shafer

Dear Editor

Mike, I saw your comments in the Gram, You are welcome to contact me through my E-mail but I do not mind if you put them in the gram. If I made an error, I have no problem being corrected, even in public.

Bill Myers

wjmhands@pol.net

Dear Editor,

The championshipanswer in MPCGram 2159 regarding the Nomonham Incident provides an opportunity to showthe two numismatic items that were produced as a result of this engagement. Attachedis apicture of thebadge awarded to the Mongolian and Russian participants in the Battle of Khalkin Gol. There is a Russian version of the badge and a Mongolian version.

Also attached is a picture ofthe two types of the medal awarded for participation in the Nomonham Incident by Manchukuo. The Manchukuo medal appears in WW2R. The Khalkin Gol badge does not.

Jim Downey

[We can't post pictures yet - but we are feverishly working on getting it done - so when we do we will post the medals and some other images we have in the wings - Ed.]

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FOR SALE

NEW MPC CATALOG PUBLISHED IN 2012

BY Carlson R. Chambliss

The first all-color book on Military Payment Certificates to be published, this stunningly beautiful, large format, 152-page book should not be missed. Titled "A Concise Catalog of U. S. Military Payment Certificates" it describes in detail all 15 series of normal and replacement MPCs. The new replacement census tabulates more than 3500 items. Also discussed are MPC errors, fancies, specimens, replicas, counterfeits, voided notes, and souvenir cards. In addition there is a thorough listing of almost 500 POGs, the current form of tokens that are in use by U. S. Armed Forces in the Middle East. An annotated bibliography is also provided. This book is available for \$26.00 postpaid to anywhere in the USA. Quantity discounts are available, and these can be quite large if numerous copies are ordered. Foreign orders will cost more due to higher shipping costs. Please inquire. Checks should be made payable to C. R. Chambliss, P. O. Box 804, Kutztown, PA 19530. I can also be reached by email (see address above) and by telephone at: 1 610 683 6572

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need the following AMC Italian replacements.

Series 1943 50 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 100 Lire BEP

Series 1943 100 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 500 Lire BEP

Series 1943 500 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP

Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes

Series 1943A 500 Lire

If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye
davideseelye@gmail.com
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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson
donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

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Contact Joyce Fischer

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Camp Jordan Arena

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Contact Gayle Pike

pikegk@aol.com

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Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://www.lyknight.com/>

Possible Mini-Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
Email kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
<http://www.pcdaonline.com/>

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Best Western
Marlborough, MA
Free Parking
Contact Ed Aleo (781) 729-9677
<http://www.baystatecoinshow.com/>

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
40th Year
November 15 18, 2012
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>

Michigan State Numismatic Society
November 23 25, 2012
Macomb Community College South Campus
Building P Sports & Expo Center
Warren, MI
Free Admission and Parking
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN activities
Show contact Brian Mainar
Email bam68@comcast.net
Show information <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

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November 29 December 1, 2012
George R. Brown Convention Center
Greater Houston Coin Club
Show information Carl Schwenker
Email texascoins@att.net
Web site <http://www.houstoncoinshow.org/>

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Ontario Convention Center
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Waldorf Astoria Hotel
Admission
Discount coupon at <http://www.nyinc.info/>
Multiple major auctions daily Sunday to Sunday
Educational programs
Show info Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

Florida United Numismatists 58th Convention
January 10 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Free Admission
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions
<http://www.ha.com/>
Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities
Show info: Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
<http://www.funtopics.com/>

San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show
January 25 27, 2013
Double Tree Hotel
San Jose, CA
Educational forum
Admission
Show information <http://www.sanjosecoinclub.org/>
Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
February 7 9, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com/>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Charlotte Coin Club 43rd Annual Show
February 8 10, 2013
Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Free Admission
Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair
February 15 17, 2013
St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel
Show information Mike Orlando
(314) 504-0503
<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>

The Collectorama Show
February 15 - 17, 2013
The Lakeland Center
Lakeland FL
Show information Ed Kuszman

Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com
Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show
February 16 17, 2013
Virginia Beach Convention Center
Free admission, Educational Exhibits
Host Tidewater Coin Club
Show information
John at (757) 222-4343
<http://www.tidewatercoinclub.org/>
Tennessee State Coin Show
March 1 -3, 2013
Camp Jordan Arena
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Show information Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
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Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual
March 7 - 10, 2013
Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
Rosemont, IL
Admission
Educational Programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://www.new.lynknight.com/LK/>
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Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
<http://www.cpmxshow.com/>

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March 15, 16, 17 2013
Holiday Inn Express
Port Clinton, OH
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Educational Presentations
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Register for the Fest by calling Kim at the Fest Holiday Inn Express:
419 732-7322.
CPMX-FEST - Interested parties:
Bill Myers, Roger Urce

Northwest Coin Club's 79th Annual Money Show
March 15, 16, 17th, 2013
Earle Brown Heritage Center
6155 Earle Brown Drive, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
Free Admittance - Free Parking
Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700
Info - northwestcoinclub.com
Lee Quast
314-276-1162
amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual
Sunday, March 10, 2013
09:00 to 4:00 P.M.
New Berlin Ale House
16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI
For further information: <http://www.waukeshacoinclub.com/>

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
March 14 - 17, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Contact David Crenshaw
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<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>

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Earle Browne Heritage Center
Brooklyn Center, MN
Show information Lee Quast
(314) 276-1162
amerishow@gmail.com

C.A.M.P Spring Show
April 5 7, 2013
Monroeville, PA
Monroeville Convention Center
Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi
<http://www.sarosicoinshows.com/>

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention
65th Annual
April 12 14, 2013
Tukwila Community Center
Tukwila, WA
Admission
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Show information Michael Labosier
Mrlab@yahoo.com
<http://www.pnna.org/>

Chicago International Coin Fair
38th Annual
April 18 21, 2013
Admission
Educational programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
(800) 573-0333
<http://www.cicfshow.com/>

Michigan State Numismatic Society
April 19 21, 2013
Location to be decided
Show information Joe LeBlanc
jhl@michsoft.com
<http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show
April 19 21, 2013
Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center
Dalton, GA
Free Parking
Show information Tom Youngblood
Tom.youngblood@att.net
<http://www.gamoney.org/>
Future shows
April 11 13, 2014
April 17 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society
April 24 - 27, 2013
Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL.
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN Activities
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
www.centralstates.info/
Future shows
April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL
April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL
April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL
Richmond Coin Show
May 3 5, 2013
Richmond, VA
Clarion Hotel
Free Admission and Parking
Show information Connie Robertson
Connie3798@verizon.net

<http://www.richmondcoinclub.com/>

American Numismatic Association
National Money Show
May 9 - 11, 2013
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center
New Orleans, LA
Auction by Stacks Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Admission for non members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Discount coupons at <http://www.money.org/>
Email convention@money.org

Garden State Numismatic Association
May 16 - 18, 2013
Denver Coin Expo
May 17 - 19, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
Denver, CO
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

Texas Numismatic Association
55th Annual Coin Convention
May 31 - June 2, 2013
Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall
Fort Worth, TX
Admission for non members TNA & YNs
Show information Doug and Mary Davis
www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo
June 6 - 9, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
www.whitman.com/expos

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
June 6 - 8, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
Jan 30 - Feb 1, 2014
Jun 5-7, 2014

Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show
June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Memphis Marriott Downtown
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://new.lynknight.com/LK/>
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Doug Davis
dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention
July 11 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Educational Programs
And Exhibits (non competitive)
Free Admission
Show information Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
www.funtopics.com

SoCal Coin & Currency Show
July 18 20, 2013
Ontario Convention Center
Ontario, CA
Show information www.ckshows.com
(888) 330-5188
Missouri Numismatic Society
July 25 27, 2013
St. Charles Convention Center
St. Charles, MO
Free Admission and Parking
YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar
Auction Scotsman Auction Co.
www.scoins.com
Show information Sid Nusbaum
Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

American Numismatic Association
Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)
August 13 - 17, 2013
Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
Chicago/Rosemont
Auction by Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Admission for non members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Visit www.money.org
Email convention@money.org
Future shows
August 5 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont

August 11 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Philadelphia Expo
September 19 - 21, 2013
Philadelphia Convention Center
Philadelphia, PA
Auction Stacks-Bowers
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Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
www.whitmanbooks.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Sep 26 - 28, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
June 5 - 7, 2014
September 4 - 6, 2014
Moon Coin Show
October 11 13, 2013
Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)
118 tables
Free Admission and Parking
Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Denver Coin Expo
October 25 27, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
Denver, CO
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page www.denverxposhows.com

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A Visit to the Black Holes, Part One
By Dave Frank

I am not sure who coined the phrase black hole in reference to collecting but credit will probably be given to Fred. We all have our own version of a black hole some large and some small and I had the opportunity to visit two definitely in the top five.

My journey started with a flight from St. Louis to Milwaukee. I was invited by the Mid-West chapter of the IBNS to speak at their meeting on Camp Money. There were a number of Festers at the meeting and everyone met the challenge except one who will remain unnamed. The meeting had quite a few people that brought show and tell including JIM, POW, and regular war era issues. My host during my stay was Neil Shafer and his wife Edith. Neil and I spent many hours exploring some of the contents of his black hole and to quote Neil I saw just the very tip of the iceberg. Neil areas of collecting are vast and I would imagine includes everything. I asked Neil to show me some of his favorites and it should come as no surprise to anyone that it would be short snorters. He brought out a rather large notebook which I assumed would be his collection, wrong. The notebook contained short snorters signed by famous people such as Bob Hope, Clark Gable, Dwight Eisenhower and hundreds of others. I am sure this will be a once in a lifetime opportunity to see a collection such as this anywhere. Another notebook contained rare notes used and a roll that included the experimental R and S small size notes. What are the odds that someone would find both of those notes and happen to tape them together in a roll. I looked at other notebooks with POW and Base chits, circulating checks, fantasy checks and notes used in the late 1800s through the mid 1900s to wish people Christmas and New Year greetings. Its a real treat to see things that someone has collected that you have never seen before and may never see again. However thats only half the other half are the stories. Neil took me back as if in a time machine and discussed how this all came about. The deals, the people, (many of whom were famous collectors and are no longer with us), the shows and travels. These stories are as priceless as our collections. I thank Neil and feel that I was very fortunate to have the opportunity the tip of the iceberg floating in a deep black hole. Next it was on to Dallas for the ANA Fall show and the exploration of a second black hole. Watch the Gram for part two.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What denomination of French AMC is known only as a specimen?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What did contractor T. Stokoe create?

ANSWER:

My feeble attempt to provide a numismatic related answer to the Championship Question "What did contractor T. Stokoe create?" is the Welsh T. Stokoe Army Contractor Hay-On-Wye Canteen Token. I hope that was not all he created in his life.

John Phipps

[I hope so too John]

ANSWER:

1 and 1 1/2 penny canteen tokens for Camp Hay.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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As I sit here writing this the wind is blowing up fairly high, it's raining and the computer has already dropped out twice on me. I don't think the question is are we going to lose power, but when, and then how long will we be without. I do have a generator, after all I am an electrician, but I have no control over the power or cable companies. The power is intermittent, so I'll quit while I can still email this out. Look for another Gram toward the end of the week - hopefully.

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Dear Editor,

While looking for something completely unrelated, I stumbled across this document:

http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/c/cf/Army-Navy_%22E%22_Award_Termination_Letter_and_Award_Winners_for_New_Mexico_and_New_York.pdf

This is part of a much longer document, covering only NM and NY completely (the list of NY "E" awards winners is more than ten pages long!), with pieces of Alabama, N Carolina, and whatever state precedes NM (NH?)

[The list from New York cites EDO Aircraft and Grumman Aircraft as winners. I have several "E" pins from both of these companies as my father and uncle worked for them during the war - Ed]

And,

For gramsters interested in Canadian bonds: the only known unused 1918 \$5 war savings stamp in French will be auctioned by Eastern Auctions Ltd on 27 October in Halifax, Nova Scotia. www.easternstamps.com It has an estimate of CDN25,000. Only two used examples of the French-language stamp are known. One sold for \$36,000 in 2007.

Joe Boling

[Yes, I realize the auction date has past, but this was the first opportunity to get out a Gram. For those interested in the piece please go to the website and get the hammer price - Ed]

Dear Editor,

While looking at some of the databases that are available through the LA Country library system, I came across this one hosted at the Library of Congress:

Japanese-American Relocation Camp Newspapers: Perspectives on Day-to-Day Life

One of the darker chapters in American history and one of the lesser discussed events of World War II was the forced internment, during the war, of an important segment of the American population-persons of Japanese descent. This collection, consisting of 25 individual titles, documents life in the internment camps.

Date Range: 1942-1945

Content: 24,838 images

Source Library: Library of Congress

Detailed Description

The bombing of Pearl Harbor and the war that followed were well covered by the national press; however, little was known of the actions this nation took in regard to the Japanese-American minority population living on the West Coast. In the months following the attack on Pearl Harbor, the U.S. government was besieged with demands that action be taken against the Japanese in the form of removal from "sensitive areas" and incarceration in camps, preferably located in the interior of the U.S. These demands and subsequent actions were motivated by the fear that Japanese-Americans would become a fifth column for the Japanese military command and spy against the U.S. By April 1942, more than 100,000 Japanese persons - aliens and American citizens - were housed in what came to be known as relocation centers run by the War Relocation Authority. This abrupt uprooting not only violated the civil rights of Japanese-Americans, but also caused great financial sacrifice, since much property was sold at distress prices. Every person was allowed to take only what could be carried.

Although histories exist about this chapter in American history, this digital collection of Japanese relocation camp newspapers record the concerns and the day-to-day life of the interned Japanese-Americans. Although articles in these files frequently appear in Japanese, most of the papers are in English or in dual text. Many of the 25 titles constituting this collection are complete or substantially complete. Editions have been carefully collated and omissions are noted. A sampling of titles include: Rohwer Outpost, Poston Chronicle, Gila News Courier,

Tulean Dispatch, Granada Pioneer, Minndoka Irrigator, Topaz Times,
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Sparky Watson

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items. Also discussed are MPC errors, fancies, specimens, replicas,
counterfeits, voided notes, and souvenir cards. In addition there is a
thorough listing of almost 500 POGs, the current form of tokens that are
in use by U. S. Armed Forces in the Middle East. An annotated
bibliography is also provided. This book is available for \$26.00 postpaid
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Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

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cwibker@aol.com
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San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show
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Show information <http://www.sanjosecoinclub.org/>
Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
February 7 9, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com/>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Charlotte Coin Club 43rd Annual Show
February 8 10, 2013
Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Free Admission
Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair

February 15 - 17, 2013
St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel
Show information Mike Orlando
(314) 504-0503
<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>

The Collectorama Show
February 15 - 17, 2013
The Lakeland Center
Lakeland FL
Show information Ed Kuszman
Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com
Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show
February 16 - 17, 2013
Virginia Beach Convention Center
Free admission, Educational Exhibits
Host Tidewater Coin Club
Show information
John at (757) 222-4343
<http://www.tidewatercoinclub.org/>
Tennessee State Coin Show
March 1 - 3, 2013
Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Show information Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale
March 1 - 3, 2013
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
Sarasota, FL
Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and
Manatee Coin Club
Free Admission and Parking
Show information
http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual
March 7 - 10, 2013
Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
Rosemont, IL
Admission
Educational Programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://www.new.lynnknight.com/LK/>
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
<http://www.cpmxshow.com/>

MPC FEST XIV

March 15, 16, 17 2013
Holiday Inn Express
Port Clinton, OH
Friday Bourse
March Madness
Educational Presentations
Auction and a whole lot more!
Register for the Fest by calling Kim at the Fest Holiday Inn Express:
419 732-7322.
CPMX-FEST - Interested parties:
Bill Myers, Roger Urce

Northwest Coin Club's 79th Annual Money Show
March 15, 16, 17th, 2013
Earle Brown Heritage Center
6155 Earle Brown Drive, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
Free Admittance - Free Parking
Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700
Info -northwestcoinclub.com
Lee Quast
314-276-1162
amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual
Sunday, March 10, 2013
09:00 to 4:00 P.M.
New Berlin Ale House
16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI
For further information:<http://www.waukeshacoinclub.com/>

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
March 14 - 17, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
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Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>

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March 15 17, 2013
Earle Browne Heritage Center
Brooklyn Center, MN
Show information Lee Quast
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amerishow@gmail.com

C.A.M.P Spring Show
April 5 7, 2013
Monroeville, PA
Monroeville Convention Center
Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi
<http://www.sarosicoinshows.com/>

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention
65th Annual
April 12 14, 2013
Tukwila Community Center
Tukwila, WA
Admission
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Show information Michael Labosier
Mrlab@yahoo.com
<http://www.pnna.org/>

Chicago International Coin Fair
38th Annual
April 18 21, 2013
Admission
Educational programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
(800) 573-0333
<http://www.cicfshow.com/>

Michigan State Numismatic Society
April 19 21, 2013
Location to be decided
Show information Joe LeBlanc
jhl@michsoft.com
<http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show
April 19 21, 2013
Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center
Dalton, GA
Free Parking
Show information Tom Youngblood
Tom.youngblood@att.net
<http://www.gamoney.org/>
Future shows
April 11 13, 2014
April 17 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society
April 24 - 27, 2013
Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL.
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN Activities
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,
www.centralstates.info/

Future shows

April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL

April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL

April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL

Richmond Coin Show

May 3 5, 2013

Richmond, VA

Clarion Hotel

Free Admission and Parking

Show information Connie Robertson

Connie3798@verizon.net

<http://www.richmondcoinclub.com/>

American Numismatic Association

National Money Show

May 9 - 11, 2013

Ernest N. Morial Convention Center

New Orleans, LA

Auction by Stacks Bowers

<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>

Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

Discount coupons at <http://www.money.org/>

Email convention@money.org

Garden State Numismatic Association

May 16 18, 2013

Denver Coin Expo

May 17 19, 2013

National Western Expo Hall

Denver, CO

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

Texas Numismatic Association

55th Annual Coin Convention

May 31 June 2, 2013

Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall

Fort Worth, TX

Admission for non members TNA & YNs

Show information Doug and Mary Davis

www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo

June 6 - 9, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

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www.whitman.com/expos

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
June 6 - 8, 2013
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Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014
Jun 5-7, 2014
Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show
June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Memphis Marriott Downtown
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://new.lynnknight.com/LK/>
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Doug Davis
dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention
July 11 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Educational Programs
And Exhibits (non competitive)
Free Admission
Show information Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
www.funtopics.com

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July 18 20, 2013
Ontario Convention Center
Ontario, CA
Show information www.ckshows.com
(888) 330-5188
Missouri Numismatic Society
July 25 27, 2013
St. Charles Convention Center
St. Charles, MO
Free Admission and Parking
YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar
Auction Scotsman Auction Co.
www.scoins.com
Show information Sid Nusbaum
Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

American Numismatic Association
Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)
August 13 - 17, 2013

Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
Chicago/Rosemont
Auction by Stacks-Bowers
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Future shows
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August 11 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

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Philadelphia Convention Center
Philadelphia, PA
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Phone (404) 214-4373
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Sep 26 - 28, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
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And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
June 5 - 7, 2014
September 4 - 6, 2014
Moon Coin Show
October 11 13, 2013
Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)
118 tables
Free Admission and Parking
Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Denver Coin Expo
October 25 27, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
Denver, CO
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page www.denverxposhows.com

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Election Day

A Visit to the Black Holes, Part Two
By Dave Frank

I resume the journey with a trip to the ANA fall show in Dallas. As most of know the ANA shows are primarily coin shows and military items and paper money are few and far between. However its a challenge for fellow collectors to dig for a jewel to take home. Larry Smulczenski and David Seelye were at the show on Wednesday and Thursday but unfortunately I missed them because I arrived on Friday. I did see Joe and Louise Boling and was able to have dinner with them Friday night. I was unable to find any camp money or anything other military items for my collection but was able to add to my prison token collection thanks to Paul Cunningham. Next it was off to Austin to visit my daughter and then to explore another of the great black holes. A short ride out of Austin led me to Larry Smulczenskis for a Monday morning visit. After dodging golf balls from the adjacent golf course Larry greeted me at the front door. We exchanged pleasantries took a tour of the grounds and then was asked what I would

like to do. What else does a numismatist want to do but see your stuff. Thus I began the task of examining another deep black hole. Larry gave me a summary of the contents and asked what I would like to begin with. I suggested POW but told Larry to show me his favorites. It wasn't hard to figure out what that would be and out came the famous 39 collection. I have seen a few examples before at Fest or Memphis but never the mother lode. It was incredible, a set of \$1 FRNs from all of the Federal Reserve Districts with the serial number 39. I saw Radar 39s, world banknotes with 39, repeater s with 39, various chits, coupons and others with 39 and of course the Greece overprint of the BMA note with a 39 serial number. Next we went on to bonds another of Larry's favorites. The collection started with defense bonds and continued up to present day issues. Larry has kept up with serial number ranges for each of the Secretaries of the Treasury. There were bonds with over stamps remembering Pearl Harbor, and the 4th of July. I saw a vast collection and learned much more than I ever knew about bonds. I was also told that there will be a second edition of the bond book which will continue from WWII to the present. We started to swap stories like most collectors like to do and never got to the POW. Now I have a reason to visit both black holes again to get below that tip of the iceberg. Maybe someday I will get to the shrine, that place that coined the phrase black hole in Port Clinton. In the mean time I will crawl back into my black hole and try to get busy.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What denomination of French AMC is known only as a specimen?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

No one answered the previous question - so we leave it up.

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EDITORIAL

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As you see, we are back on line having survived the Super Storm Sandy. We lost a branch or two and will have to take down an old pine tree and were without power and internet for five days. And we were the lucky ones. As I am sure you have seen, substantial damage was done in New Jersey, New York City and on the coast. The devastation was great and many lost their homes and possessions. We suffered an inconvenience in comparison. To all who called/wrote to express their concern, thank you from both Wendy and myself.

I am supposed to leave on Thursday morning (B&E) for the PCDA in Chicago, however mother nature does not seem to be done with us. A nor'easter is en-route and, depending on its track, may add more damage to what is

already here. It is all going to depend on the flight being able to take off. It is going to be a last minute decision. I am looking forward to the show, so let's hope the weather will cooperate. If not I am looking at another week or so of climbing ladders and playing with wires.

And...

If we could get everyone to wear size 12 shoes that would be no small Feat!

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Mail Call: SEND MAIL to: MPCGram@yahoo.com
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Dear Editor,

Kathy and I took a trip to New Mexico to visit relatives. On the way, we passed the Wilcox Dry Lake Bombing Range. It is south of I-10 just west of Wilcox, AZ. There is not much to see but alot of flat ground. It was used in World War II for training bomber crews stationed at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson. On our return trip we stopped at the War Eagle Air Museum which is in Santa Teresa, NM, just west of El Paso, TX. They had a variety of aircraft to see and many were from the WWII era including a P-40E Warhawk (Flying Tiger), Mustang, Corsair, P-38 Lighting and a DC-3. There were a large number of vehicles but only a 3/4 ton truck and 2 jeeps from World War II. There were some ancillary items and the only numismatic items were a replica of a poster for War Bonds, some ration books, coupons and tokens, 4 Japanese coins, 3 German notgeld, an Algerian 5 francs note, a service pin worn by someone with a family member in the service, a Boy Scout medal for the 1945 waste paper campaign and a Burma Blood Chit. Admission is \$5 but it is \$4 for seniors and military.

Myers

Dear Editor,

The MSNS fall showon Thanks is being held at a new location this year due to problems negotiating a new contract at the old Hyatt Hotel in Dearborn

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The show has moved to the College Sports Expo Center on the Campus of Macomb Community College 12 Mile road and Hayes in Warren Michigan. See attachment above for a color flyer and location map.

We will have a table at theshow designated as E-10 and have a lot of new purchases. If you have any questions give me a call on my cell phone at 248-762-6654.

Keith Bauman

and..

It appears the US Post Office is becoming very vulnerable to theft all across the country.

Keith Bauman

[See the LOST/STOLEN ITEMS section below for details - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Dear Esteemed Editor,

This might not be completelyin the guidelines for publication in the Gram but I will find more than a couple of words to make it eligible.

I just discovered that Arlington National Cemetery has gone online and has gotten over 99% of the gravesites properly accounted for and identified. The old system was on paper and it did not work for keeping track of over 400,000 men and women buried there. Can you imagine 400,000? I had no idea it was that many.

So I went to the website at www.ArlingtonCemetery.mil/ and saw a nice home page. I clicked on Find a Gravesite, then Website & Kiosk, Search Burials, Using Known Information, and I typed in Leonard Harsel and clicked. It brought up an image of Len's gravestone and there was other information to click on! I was impressed. I did notice that Sue, his widow, had not yet gotten the MSM added to his gravestone. She did not know he was awarded it before he was buried, and I found the certificate and medal while we were cleaning out his basement office.

Len was what he called, "the poor man's world paper money dealer." He did have some high-priced pieces, to include MPC and AMC, but most of his stock was in the \$5-10 and less range. He was very proud of being able to provide the collectors with the least money to spend many notes to buy from his inventory. He was always busy at Memphis and his last couple of years at only the Vienna (Virginia) and Baltimore shows always saw his table crowded with collectors. Many times I could just wave at him and not be able to sit down and talk.

Daryl Spelbring has been selling Len's inventory and we have also been assisting Sue in selling his large numismatic library. It was going slow but after I wrote an item about it in being available in The Esylum, a dealer offered to purchase all of it. This was great and the transaction will be completed in the next week or so. Hurricane Sandy has interfered with the buyer coming down from New York. Sue has contacted me that the buyer wants me to write a bio on Len and use it to sell the books as "from Len Harsel's Library." I will send you an email when it is ready for sale and the buyer's contact information.

Everything is going OK over here in Saigon and I am VERY busy! Besides numismatics, I have been babysitting our youngest grand nieces with Phung when their parents go off in the evening to see how their two businesses are operating. Their mother's primary business processes import/export inspections for her customers, and the father works in one of the national banks. They are very busy young people and they just arranged another loan from us to start a third business in January. They are starting to run out of relatives and friends to employ so I am going to start recommending some of my "adopted" nieces and nephews, if they want to move to a new job. We shall see.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Also from the Master Sergeant - two websites to check to see his finds

<http://www.sixbid.com/nav.php?p=viewlot&sid=732&lot=5777>

and

<http://www.sixbid.com/nav.php?p=viewlot&sid=709&lot=4535>

Howard A. Daniel III

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NEW MPC CATALOG PUBLISHED IN 2012

BY Carlson R. Chambliss

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need the following AMC Italian replacements.

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Series 1943 100 Lire BEP
Series 1943 100 Lire Forbes
Series 1943 500 Lire BEP
Series 1943 500 Lire Forbes
Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP
Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes
Series 1943A 500 Lire

If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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LINK TO CONCENTRATION CAMPS, INTERNMENT CAMPS, POW CAMPS AND DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP NOTES:

<http://www.worldandmilitarynotes.com/>

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LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

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To report lost/stolen numismatic items, or if you have any information that will help in their recovery, go to: <http://www.numismaticcrimes.org/>

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STOLEN/MISSING

CASE #1

A certified package en-route to CAC from CT. has been reported stolen/missing. The last known location was the Morgan St. Post Office New York City. The package included the following \$20 Gold coins:
1908 MS66 PCGS 2787773, 1908 MS66 PCGS 4631558, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118084, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117692, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50097963, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50114444, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30001245, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117914, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117907, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118045, 1924 MS66 PCGS 90004604, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50119504, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50051294, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50118203, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112318, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50117895, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112903, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50114927, 1924 MS66 PCGS 9000485, 1927 MS66 PCGS 30001246, 1928 MS66 PCGS 4901233, 1928 MS65 NGC 163052-015.

CASE #2

A lot of 20 high grade walking liberty half dollars enroute to PCGS has been reported stolen/missing. The coins originated in Ruston , LA to Shreveport , LA and then California via USPS.

CASE #3

A 1933 \$1 FRN, Richmond-Major Fold Over Error, PMG 40 EPQ FR 1918-E S/N E76728097 D has been reported stolen from USPS Miami Florida.

CASE #4

The following coins have been reported stolen: 1910 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3130631, 1911 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3147500-012, 1911D gold 21/2 Indian PCGS AU55 25577472, 1912 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 14867354, 1913 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 12120994.

Anyone with information on the cases listed above should contact:

Doug Davis
817-723-7231
Doug@numismaticcrimes.org

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Lakeland FL
Show information Ed Kuszman
Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com
Web site <http://coinshow.wix.com/collectorama>

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Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Show information Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>

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March 1 3, 2013
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
Sarasota, FL
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Free Admission and Parking
Show information
http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

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www.centralstates.info/

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Connie3798@verizon.net

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National Western Expo Hall

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154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

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Fort Worth, TX
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Show information Doug and Mary Davis
www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

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June 6 - 9, 2013
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Baltimore, MD
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Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
June 6 - 8, 2013
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Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014
Jun 5-7, 2014
Sep 4-6, 2014

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June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Memphis Marriott Downtown
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dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention
July 11 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Educational Programs
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Show information Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
www.funtopics.com

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St. Charles, MO
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Auction Scotsman Auction Co.
www.scoins.com
Show information Sid Nusbaum
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August 13 - 17, 2013
Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
Chicago/Rosemont
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September 19 - 21, 2013
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September 4 - 6, 2014
Moon Coin Show
October 11 - 13, 2013
Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)

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Free Admission and Parking
Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

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Denver, CO
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VETERAN'S DAY

German POW Rings,
by Dave Frank

I received an question via an email to my website about German POW signet rings. The ring is for a German POW at Camp McCain and the person wants to know the origin or story about the rings. I have also seen this type of ring from Camp McCoy, Camp Ellis, and Camp Robinson. They usually have

the German Eagle in the center but the Camp Robinson has a camp gate instead. It seems most of these are coming from Germany and many are very worn indicating that they were used. I am also including a scan of one. I have tried to do a little research and have found a couple of reasons that dont make complete sense. One is that they were made for camp guards and not POWs. But why would they have the German Eagle and why are they generally found in Germany unless guards gave them to POWs. Second they were made in the US and sold to German POWs but I dont think that any German POW would wear these as it would be highly frowned upon by Germans. Third some feel that they were made in Germany and sent to POWs in the US as a gift. These are made of silver and I am not sure if Germans had the means during the war to buy and send such items or that the US would allow them. Just thought I would see if you might know something about the rings. Maybe it would be a good question to run by Gram readers.

PCDA Show Report,
by Brian Giese

I arrived around 2:00pm thursdayand was unable to get into the bourse floor, so I went to look at the World Paper Money Lots that Lyn Knight was auctioning later that night. I would say there was about 20 people in the room bidding on the lots, there was a lot web bidding and Knight live going on. The nice collection of Brazil notes saw spirited bidding as did the usual countries. The show had a couple dealers selling those round shiny things about a 8-10 dealers the rest were US and World Paper. I saw the same faces we also see at this show like the CPMX Show. Unfortunately there was not much floor traffic imho. By Saturday 4:00pm about 3/4 of the dealers had already left. Festers Present were: Bolings,Shafer, Baumanns, Giese might have been more I missed. I will be mailing an application for next years show if the IBNS wants a Table as CCC [Chicago Coin Club] and gang had a table at NC [no charge] per Carl Wolf. A few dealers were unable to travel to the show due to the weather and the [scheduling of the] Baltimore show next weekend.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What denomination of French AMC is known only as a specimen?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

No one answered the previous question - so we leave it up.

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EDITORIAL

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So where was the Gram?

Gram 2161 was prepared and sent to Binhost on 29 October. We lost power and the internet shortly thereafter and we were out for the next five days. Gram 2162 was prepared and sent to Binhost on Election Day, 6 November, a day after power and internet were restored. The problem arose when I discovered Binhost would not accept either Gram. Then came the nor'easter with some snow and another internet failure. Then the internet came back I traded emails with Bibhost and after yet more internet disruptions, the answer came back that the Gram had, for whatever reason, been unsubscribed to Binhost. That problem was resolved and you are now up to date with Grams.

Added to all of this was a call from the airlines that my flight to Chicago had been cancelled and would not be rescheduled until later in the afternoon on Friday. I had planned to fly back home on Saturday, and I saw no point of going to Chicago for what would have amounted to, at best, six or so hours at the show. So I did not get to view any auction lots or get a chance for some deep dish - I was disappointed. In addition to Brian's report, I did have a short conversation with Joe Boling who reported only five or six dealers still at their tables on Sunday. I do have some comments on two of the auction lots, but I'll save that for next time.

Finally, please take note that the series number has changed from 13 to 14 as today is Veteran's Day. Don't forget to remember!

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Dear Editor,

I now am the owner of series 541 \$1 serial # f19808268 THIS NOTE HAS A HIGHER SERIAL NUMBER THAN I CAN FIND A RECORD AND DOES NOT HAVE AN "F" AT THE END OF THE SERIAL . NOTE IS NICE NICE A TRUE GEM THAT HAS A CORNER FOLD OUTSIDE THE DESIGN THEREFORE AN AU. THOUGHT I WOULD TAKE TO BALTIMORE AND SELL IT THERE.

Tom Denly

Dear Editor,

Do you get Military Trader/Vehicles e-letters and here is another

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military-partners@autocommunity-hub.comCheers,
Colin Bruce

Dear Editor,
As of 31 December 2012 my E-mail address wjmhands@pol.net will not longer
work and my new E-mail address is wjmhands@gmail.com
Bill Myers

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Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need the following AMC Italian replacements.

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Series 1943 100 Lire BEP

Series 1943 100 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 500 Lire BEP

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Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP

Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes

Series 1943A 500 Lire

If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

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To report lost/stolen numismatic items, or if you have any information that will help in their recovery, go to: <http://www.numismaticcrimes.org/>

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STOLEN/MISSING

CASE #1

A certified package en-route to CAC from CT. has been reported stolen/missing. The last known location was the Morgan St. Post Office New York City. The package included the following \$20 Gold coins:
1908 MS66 PCGS 2787773, 1908 MS66 PCGS 4631558, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118084, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117692, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50097963, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50114444, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30001245, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117914, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117907, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118045, 1924 MS66 PCGS 90004604, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50119504, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50051294, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50118203, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112318, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50117895, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112903, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50114927, 1924 MS66 PCGS 9000485, 1927 MS66 PCGS 30001246, 1928 MS66 PCGS 4901233, 1928 MS65 NGC 163052-015.

CASE #2

A lot of 20 high grade walking liberty half dollars enroute to PCGS has been reported stolen/missing. The coins originated in Ruston , LA to Shreveport , LA and then California via USPS.

CASE #3

A 1933 \$1 FRN, Richmond-Major Fold Over Error, PMG 40 EPQ FR 1918-E S/N E76728097 D has been reported stolen from USPS Miami Florida.

CASE #4

The following coins have been reported stolen: 1910 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3130631, 1911 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3147500-012, 1911D gold 21/2 Indian PCGS AU55 25577472, 1912 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 14867354, 1913 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 12120994.

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Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Free Admission
Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net

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Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

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Show information Doug and Mary Davis

www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

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www.stacksbowers.com
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
www.whitman.com/expos

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or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
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Jun 5-7, 2014
Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show
June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Memphis Marriott Downtown
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://new.lynknight.com/LK/>
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Show information Doug Davis
dopug@memphisipms.com

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Show information Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
www.funtopics.com

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Ontario, CA
Show information www.ckshows.com
(888) 330-5188
Missouri Numismatic Society
July 25 27, 2013
St. Charles Convention Center

St. Charles, MO
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Auction Scotsman Auction Co.
www.scoins.com
Show information Sid Nusbaum
Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

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Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)
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Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
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www.stacksbowers.com
Admission for non members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Visit www.money.org
Email convention@money.org
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August 5 - 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont
August 11 - 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

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September 19 - 21, 2013
Philadelphia Convention Center
Philadelphia, PA
Auction Stacks-Bowers
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Contact David Crenshaw
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Sep 26 - 28, 2013
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Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
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Women Vet Organizations Update 01:
by Howard A. Daniel III
Kho Bu ng Nam

In a corner of American Legion Post 21s bustling hall, women slowly began filling up a table at the back of a dining area set aside for taco night. The table echoed with questions: "When were you in?" and "What branch?" The women swapped stories over Mexican food, beers and pie. But they also offered each other advice about insurance, employment issues and medical problems. It was Wednesday of the week leading up to Veterans Day, and they were starting an all-women American Legion post a place where women veterans could talk about experiences and issues all their own. The number of women veterans nationwide has increased 13 percent, to more than 1.8 million, since 2000. About 6,000 of them live in the Kansas City area, said American Legion officials, who applauded the interest in starting the new post here. "It shows that women veterans are standing up," said Verna Jones, director of national veterans affairs and

rehabilitation for the American Legion. "As the face of the soldier changes, the face of these veterans organizations has to change. We have to be ready to accept women coming back and accept those fundamental differences."

An all-women post already exists in St. Louis, and Shirley Janes, a member of that post, came to talk to the Kansas City women. She said her post is a channel to solve the serious and very different issues female veterans face on the job and at home. Janes listed the concerns she's heard in the past. Women have issues with child care when they go to VA clinics for medical treatments. Fighting on the front lines and living under war zone conditions causes combat-related problems. And she hears about sexual trauma, a serious concern that one report shows has affected one in five women veterans including some of those around the table Wednesday night. Billie Gammill said she was looking forward to a forum where she could discuss concerns affecting women in the service. Gammill served in the Air Force from 1973 to 1977, when she was right out of high school. "My mother couldn't afford to send me to college, and the GI Bill did," said Gammill, who also spent a year in the Army in 1982. Gammill said she's been through the "mental health part of it," meeting with a women's group monthly to talk about her time in the military and help other women do the same. "I'm on 70 percent disability because of some things that have happened to me when I was in the service," she said. Gammill has been chosen commander of the new post, named Heartland Women Veterans Post 1107.

Beverly Allen, 57, joined the Navy more than 20 years ago, producing the news as a broadcast journalist. "I've been out of the Navy three years, and I really don't have anybody to hang out with," she said. "I thought this could be camaraderie." About 20 years ago, Janes could probably have related to what Allen is going through now. Janes served in the Air Force as a weather forecaster, and when she moved to St. Louis, she didn't have any military friends. Then she saw a flier for Post 404. "With everything that's happened since 1991 with Desert Storm and the ongoing global war on terror, a lot of people have worn the uniform a lot of people you wouldn't even know," Janes said. "Women (generally) don't wear a baseball cap that says U.S. Army, not like the guys do. You have to ask and find out." Gammill and Allen have seen big changes in the military. When she joined in 1989, Allen said, the Navy was just beginning to put women aboard ships. "By the time I got out, we were 40 percent of the ship," she said. "When I first joined, it was like 10 percent women and the rest were guys." Even the uniforms have changed. "In my generation, when I went through basic training, you weren't handed a gun," Gammill said. "You were handed a makeup mirror and taught how to wear your uniform that was dated 1949." In the four years she served with the Air Force, those World War II-era uniforms were traded in for fatigues. 5

Creating American Legion posts for women isn't a move to isolate themselves, according to Janes and others from the St. Louis post. "By forming our own post, we're going to get the same job done," she said. "We'll just do it in a little bit different way." The American Legion has a membership of 3 million veterans who served during a war, not just in combat. That's what distinguishes it from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, whose members served on the ground in countries with ongoing conflicts.

The VFW has just started in recent years to keep track of its women members. The organization previously saw all veterans as equal, but its now recognizing that women have specific needs when returning from combat, a spokeswoman said. The American Legion does not begrudge the women who are branching off into their own post far from it. Gary Pace, the 5th District commander in Missouri, said attending a women veterans health meeting prompted him to think those women needed their own post. "Were getting a lot of interest in the womens post," he said. "I can understand why they want their own post where they can talk to one another."

Post 21, where the women met for the first time on Wednesday, has about 15 women among its nearly 1,600 members. Pace said the post would have been "missing the boat" had it not backed the formation of an all-women post. Jones of the national office thinks all-women posts are likely to draw more female veterans than existing American Legion posts do. Thats not to say that some women might not feel more comfortable in a co-ed post, Jones said. But it does give them options. Jones said that through survey results, the American Legion found an "alarming" number of women veterans were particularly concerned with the competence of their doctors. She noted that women suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder might feel more comfortable discussing their experiences with other women. Jones said shes been amazed at the work all-women posts are doing. "They understand intimately the issues and concerns of women veterans," she said. "I think it gives the American Legion a big boost up. It puts something extra special right in the middle of it." [Source: The Kansas City Star | Sangeeta Shastry | 10 Nov 2012 ++]

Following is a partial list of veteran organizations which have been established specifically for women. If you know of any that are not listed request advise via email toraoemo@sbcglonal.net:

Air Force Women Officers Assoc., P.O. Box 780155 San Antonio, TX 78278
All Navy Women's National Alliance , P.O. Box 147, Goldenrod, FL.,32733-0147<http://www.anwna.com/>
Army Special Services Association, 609 Concord Place, Pleasanton, CA 94566
Army Women's Museum, Mifflin Hall, Bldg.5000,Rm. 103B, Ft Lee, VA., 23801-6000<http://www.awm.lee.army.mil>
Coast Guard/SPAR, Inc., 5904 Mt. Eagle Dr., Ap. 1616 Alexandria, VA 22303
Hispanic Women Veterans Coalition, P.O. Box 25047 Harper Woods, MI 48225-1825
National Assoc. of Black Military Women , P.O.Box 2798, Laurel, MD., 20708-2798http://members.aol.com/_ht_a/khnabmw/myhomepage/
National Navy Women's Reunion, P.O. Box 147, Golden Rod FL 32733-0147
National Org of World War Nurses, 1509 Emilie St., Green Bay, WI., 54301
Nat'l Women Veterans Conference, Inc., 2902 Irving Street Denver,CO 80211-6756
Navy Nurse Corps Association , P.O. Box 1229 Oak Harbor, WA 98277
Pacific Northwest WAVES, 19304 4th Place SW, Seattle, WA., 98166
Retired Army Medical Specialist Corps Assn., PO. Box 39451, Serna Station San Antonio, TX 78268
Retired Army Nurse Corps Assn. , P.O. Box 681026. Serna Station San Antonio, TX 78218-1235<http://www.militaryrn.com/ranca.htm>

Society of Retired Air Force Nurses, P.O. Box 681026 San Antonio,
TX, 78268
The Circle of Sisters, 827 Lowell Blvd. Denver, CO 80204
United Women Veterans, 113 S. Orchard St, Theinsville, WI., 53092
Vietnam Women Veterans <http://www.spencergroup.net/vwv/>
Vietnam Women's Memorial Project, 2001 S Street, NW, #610 Washington, DC
20009-6000 <wwmpdc@aol.com>
WAC Foundation, P.O. Box 5339, Ft McClellan, AL 36205
WAC Veterans' Association, P.O. Box 5577, Fort McClellan AL 36205-
5577 <http://www.armywomen.org>
WASP, P.O. Box 9212 Ft. Wayne, IN 46809 <http://www.wasp-wwii.org/>
WAVES National, 506 60th St SE, Grand Rapids, MI., 49548-
6812 <http://wavesnational.hypermart.net/>
Women Marines Association, 818 Wildview Way, Knoxville,
TN., 37920 <http://www.womenmarines.org/>
Women Military Aviators, Inc., P.O. Box 46819 Washington, D.C. 20050-6819
Women Officers Professional Assn, P.O. Box 1621, Arlington, VA.,
22210 <http://members.aol.com/dittyman8/wopa.html>
Women Veterans of America, P.O. Box 290283, Homecrest Station Brooklyn NY
10229-0005
Women's Overseas Service League, P.O. Box 7124, Washington, DC 20044-7124
WWII Flight Nurses Association, 2111 Spring Lake Rd Fruitland, FL 32731-
5154

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[This came to us from Louise Boling and although it is after Veteran's
Day it is always appropriate]

Dear Editor,

I tried to send this to you earlier, but discovered that I did not have
the Gram address in my list of contacts. That is now remedied. This is
from our son David. Now that Veterans' Day is past, you might not want to
use it, but I thought it was well written and there are Gramsters who
know David.

Louise Boling

David Boling

Veterans Day 2012, Bagram Air Field, Afghanistan there are no businesses
offering free dinner, no parades or celebrations, no barbeques, no beer,
no four-day weekend to spend with loved ones, no yellow ribbons or flag
lined streets, and no Service Members complaining about missing any of
it, at least not within ear shot of me. It is Sunday, this should be a
day of rest, and instead it is just another day over here. Many in the
EOD community, whether deployed or at home, are not aware that we have
lost yet another warrior. One hundred twenty three to date, across all
four services in Iraq and Afghanistan, and unfortunately we continue to
count. More than 488 injured, husbands, wives, sons, daughters, mothers,
fathers, brothers, sisters, and heros. They had all volunteered, two or
more times, before making the ultimate sacrifice or having their lives
and the lives of their families irreparably changed because they chose to
serve. They all had their reasons for volunteering, the reason doesn't
really matter, it only matters that they chose to serve. Veterans every
one of them, often of many campaigns in multiple countries and some of

multiple conflicts, deserving of whatever honors they received. But not asking for any. The EOD community is but a small part of the greater collective of veterans from World War II to present, honor them all, today, tomorrow, and every day

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What did Ladislav Feierabend do (numismatically speaking that is) in 1940?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What denomination of French AMC is known only as a specimen?

ANSWER:

The 5000 Frank (green) specimen was issued for Operation Tom Cat in French Frank Currency.

It was not issued as a circulating note.

ref. Remembered pg 280 Schwan/Bowling

John Cheney

ANSWER:

Answer 5000 francs

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EDITORIAL

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From an electrical perspective, the hurricane and the snow storm are still having an effect here at Gram headquarters. We have been busy and unfortunately I have been neglecting the Gram. We will try to do better.

Jos sent a scan of the note he describes. The note is circulated and has been folded both vertically and horizontally. The coin imprints seem to have been done by inking the coin and pressing them onto the paper. The serial number is typed to the right of the block letters "MU" and there are initials in black under each imprint. The coin imprint to the right is also initialed in red. There is also a red dot in the center of the note. My impression is that this was some type of souvenir although I do not know what units were stationed in Malaya in 1959. Opinions?

I had an interest in Lot 459 in Lyn Knight's auction recently concluded in Chicago. My intention was to bid live at the auction and see what happened. As reported I was not able to go, and I shied away from an Internet bid. The lot consisted of three notes from the Isole Jonie (Ionian Islands) which bore the Vassilli Rapoikas over-stamps. See page 513 in SB.

The 7500-10,000 estimate put me off a bit, but I was prepared to bid at the minimum level of 60% and, as I said, see what happened. After the auction closed I went to Lyn website to check the hammer price to see how close the notes sold, if they did, to the estimate. I was surprised to see the lot sold for \$4750. Even adding the juice I think that is a bargain considering what Remembered says. I was also very disappointed that I did not even get the chance to see the notes in person. I thought to cheer myself up by flying down to Baltimore on Saturday for the Whitman Show, but, as it turned out, I couldn't do that either. I'll have to wait for FUN in January.

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Dear Editor,
FOR SALE
Big MPC Sale-Over 800 notes for sale, all grades. Conservatively graded with a value of over \$45,000. Too many to list so email me for the list.
Bill McNease
billsing97@aol.com

Dear Editor:
Newly posted eBay example of the Joint Task Force One (Bikini Atoll) note: S-B 1901 on page 427 of REMEMBERED.
A signed short snorter to boot!
It's \$50 on a Buy-It-Now basis, great price, so better move quickly!
See Item #121022643015.
John Riley
[John's email came in mid-day on Sunday and when I checked the lot a couple of hours later, it was already sold. Take a look anyway and let us know what your think - Ed.]

Dear Esteemed Editor,
Before leaving the USA for my place here in Viet Nam, I attended a meeting of flag and banner collectors and dealers in the Mid-Atlantic area. I found one man who was a collector of WWII flags! And a couple of others who are dealers. One of these dealers, TomCarrier, who is closing up a booth he has somewhere selling flags and banners, wants to sell off his inventory. There are WWII items in his inventory. Gramsters can contact him at ThomasJCarrier@Yahoo.com to receive a copy of his sales list. I have already contacted him about one flag on it and I am sure most Gramsters will see it.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,
FOR SALE
Konversionkasse fur Deutsche Auslandsschulden bonds as listed in Kroll's new catalog on WW II Paper Money and Financials all punched holed cancelled.
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Colin Bruce

Dear Editor,
I noticed an interesting post about a signet ring. Quick question - I am a writer (I think we chatted via email) some time ago. How far afield can topics go? Do you know about the wochenspruch der NSDAP, weekly inspirational posters that were released? I have a number, and am thinking about writing something on them. Would the 'gram be interested? How about US military language books & the like from WWII? My article about how WWII changed our money supply (silver nickels, etc) is off the news stands now. Would you like to run it in the 'gram? Best Regards,
Bill Leslie
[Dear Bill, all articles are welcome - please feel free to write in - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Information needed.
Can you please shed some light on this note?
JIM note type Malaya - MU - \$1000
- w/text "U.S.ARMY 1959" and
- "963472 A" as "serial#" added (typewriter!) and
- [im]print of 1 chinese cash coin (square hole) and arabic coins
- (also both prints on the reverse but in other position on the note!) and
- 2 sign. (?) in black at l. & r. and one in red -
- on rev. same sign as the one on the right on the front.
What is it? There is too much effort in this item to simply call it a joke
Kind regards
Jos F.M.Eijsermans

Dear Editor,
There were no "finds" at the six bid links provided by Howard - only lists of upcoming auctions.
And..
Tom Denly must not have the last edition of Fred's MPC book. His 541 \$1 replacement has the second highest number reported (except for numbers that Fred has that are not yet published).
Joe Boling

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If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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STOLEN/MISSING

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Anyone with information on the cases listed above should contact:

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Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net

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Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Show information Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale
March 1 3, 2013
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
Sarasota, FL
Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and
Manatee Coin Club
Free Admission and Parking
Show information
http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual
March 7 - 10, 2013
Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
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Admission
Educational Programs
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Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://www.new.lynnknight.com/LK/>
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
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Info - northwestcoinclub.com
Lee Quast
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amerishow@gmail.com

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Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>

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Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi
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Educational Programs and Exhibits
Show information Michael Labosier
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154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page <http://www.denverxposhow.com/>

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Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall
Fort Worth, TX
Admission for non members TNA & YNs
Show information Doug and Mary Davis
www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo
June 6 - 9, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
www.whitman.com/expos

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
June 6 - 8, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
Jan 30 - Feb 1, 2014
Jun 5-7, 2014
Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show
June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Memphis Marriott Downtown
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://new.lynknight.com/LK/>
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Doug Davis
dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention
July 11 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Educational Programs
And Exhibits (non competitive)
Free Admission
Show information Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
www.funtopics.com

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July 18 20, 2013
Ontario Convention Center
Ontario, CA
Show information www.ckshows.com
(888) 330-5188
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July 25 27, 2013
St. Charles Convention Center
St. Charles, MO
Free Admission and Parking
YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar
Auction Scotsman Auction Co.
www.scoins.com
Show information Sid Nusbaum
Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

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Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)
August 13 - 17, 2013
Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
Chicago/Rosemont
Auction by Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Admission for non members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Visit www.money.org
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Future shows
August 5 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont
August 11 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Philadelphia Expo
September 19 - 21, 2013
Philadelphia Convention Center
Philadelphia, PA
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Sep 26 - 28, 2013
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Long Beach, CA
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And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
June 5 - 7, 2014
September 4 - 6, 2014
Moon Coin Show
October 11 13, 2013
Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)
118 tables
Free Admission and Parking
Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

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Isole Jonie

There are seven principal islands in a group of about one hundred islands in the Ionian Sea just west of Greece. Today they are part of Greece, but in 1941, according to Remembered, they were under the control of Italy after the second invasion of Greece. During the occupation a group of notes were issued by the Italians. The Biglietto a Corsa Legale per le Isole Jonie (literally: the Legal Tender Tickets for the Ionian Islands) consist of eight values, one, 5, 10, 50, 100, 500, 1000 and 5000 denominated in dracme the Greek unit of currency. The colorful set is a part of a series of Italian issues for areas that came under the Kingdom's occupation.

I lack only the 500 dracme for a complete set and have been on a quest to fill that empty space in the binder. While searching I came across a 100 dracme note that was hole cancelled. A number of issues from other countries are known with this type of cancellation, but I was unaware of any Ionian pieces. From what I could see in the scan, the note appeared to have all the characteristics of the real thing, so I asked the seller for some added info. His reply was that the notes were cancelled by the bank after they were no longer needed. Putting holes in banknotes isn't very hard; we all have hole punches. I wavered a bit, but the asking price was reasonable so I decided to go for it and bought the note. When it arrived, I was able to take a good look at it under a glass and compare it to the piece I already had. The paper feels the same and both notes have the same watermark and the fonts on the serial and block numbers are the same. The holed example is block 0002 while the other note is block 0007 and is in AU condition. My cancelled example is XF with evidence of a vertical fold and some handling wear. To the left of the vignette someone appears to have written (very lightly) the number 10000. Perhaps this is a counting mark. The holed notes appears to be genuine, but there is still the question of when the holes were made and by whom. The same seller had another example, this one a 500 dracme piece, I decided to add that one to the first. I'll report on what I find when that piece gets here in a week or two. In the meantime, any information any of our readers may have would be welcomed, as well as would a tip on finding an "unholed" example of the 500 dracme. You know where to send the info.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER
Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Today's question came in from Joe Boling:

OK, you Internet hounds - who can discover who Lain E Miller was and what was his connection to Task Force One? Of if not Lain, how do you read it?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

What did Ladislav Feierabend do (numismatically speaking that is) in 1940?

ANSWER:

Dr. Ladislav Karel Feierabend 1891-1969. Minister of Finance Czechoslovakia 1941.

In 1940. Dr. Feierabend initiated negotiations to have an issue of Czechoslovak bank notes printed in England.

The notes were printed by Thomas De LaRue, Waterlow & Sons and Bradbury Wilkinson. They were a series of 7 notes, none dated, 5,10,20,50,100, 500, 1000 Korun.

ref. Remembered pg 73,74.

Feiereabend was the author of one book; Soumrak Ceskgoslavinske Demokracie and was the author of poetry and many manuscripts and papers relating to Czechoslovakia.

John Cheney

ANSWER:

He initiated the negotiations and served as the finance minister on the currency commission for Czechoslovakia that arranged for the printing of the Liberation notes that were used in 1945.

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EDITORIAL

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In light of recent events, a lot of us here in the Northeast have a lot to be thankful for when we consider what many of our neighbors have had to endure. So to echo Bonnie and Harold, give thanks and enjoy your families and remember those who are will not be so fortunate. So, on behalf of the Gram staff and our Publisher, Happy Thanksgiving.

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Mail Call: SEND MAIL to: MPCGram@yahoo.com

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Dear Editor,

Bonnie and Harold wish everyone a BlessedHappy Thanksgiving with family and friends.

Harold Kroll

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Dear Editor,

I am not a big fan of separate women's posts because I think it is better that they take part in regular Legion activities. They bring a certain amount of class and decorum to the meetings :-). However, I do know that in some posts they were not made welcome, and in at least one case I know of a woman who broke out in hives due to the harassment from men. It was more about her qualifications than her sex, but I suspect a man might not have been treated so poorly. So, perhaps for mutual ease and quality of life a woman's post is better in some cases. I know when I was a Vice County Commander in NY we had one Police post that was only open to law enforcements types. I am sure there are other specialty posts out there is anyone cared to search.

The SGM HerbFriedman

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I was very much impressed with Command Sergeant Major Boling's letter in the Gram. Who said Army NCOs do not know how to write? I want to see more from this NCO!

The Master Sergeant Daniel

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Bill McNease
billsing97@aol.com

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Dear Editor,

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Reichsmark: 200, 500, 1000

French Frank: 200, 500, 1000

Dutch Gulden: 100, 250, 1000 (the 100 & 250 have a center fold)

Make offer to Colinat: kandybruce@hotmail.com

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need the following AMC Italian replacements.
Series 1943 50 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 100 Lire BEP
Series 1943 100 Lire Forbes
Series 1943 500 Lire BEP
Series 1943 500 Lire Forbes
Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP
Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes
Series 1943A 500 Lire
If you can help me, please let me know.
David E. Seelye
davideseelye@gmail.com
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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.
Donn Cuson
donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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LINK TO CONCENTRATION CAMPS, INTERNMENT CAMPS, POW CAMPS AND DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP NOTES:

<http://www.worldandmilitarynotes.com/>

LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

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To report lost/stolen numismatic items, or if you have any information that will help in their recovery, go to: <http://www.numismaticcrimes.org/>

STOLEN/MISSING

CASE #1

A certified package en-route to CAC from CT. has been reported stolen/missing. The last known location was the Morgan St. Post Office New York City. The package included the following \$20 Gold coins:
1908 MS66 PCGS 2787773, 1908 MS66 PCGS 4631558, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118084, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117692, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50097963, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50114444, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30001245, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117914, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117907, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118045, 1924 MS66 PCGS 90004604, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50119504, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50051294, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50118203, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112318, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50117895, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112903, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50114927, 1924 MS66 PCGS 9000485, 1927 MS66 PCGS 30001246, 1928 MS66 PCGS 4901233, 1928 MS65 NGC 163052-015.

CASE #2

A lot of 20 high grade walking liberty half dollars en-route to PCGS has been reported stolen/missing. The coins originated in Ruston , LA to Shreveport , LA and then California via USPS.

CASE #3

A 1933 \$1 FRN, Richmond-Major Fold Over Error, PMG 40 EPQ FR 1918-E S/N E76728097 D has been reported stolen from USPS Miami Florida.

The following coins have been reported stolen: 1910 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3130631, 1911 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3147500-012, 1911D gold 21/2 Indian PCGS AU55 25577472, 1912 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 14867354, 1913 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 12120994.

Anyone with information on the cases listed above should contact:

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November 23 25, 2012

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Building P Sports & Expo Center

Warren, MI

Free Admission and Parking

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN activities

Show contact Brian Mainar

Email bam68@comcast.net

Show information <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Houstons 56th Money Show of the Southwest

November 29 December 1, 2012

George R. Brown Convention Center

Greater Houston Coin Club

Show information Carl Schwenker

Email texascoins@att.net

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kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

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And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

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February 8 10, 2013
Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Free Admission
Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net

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St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel
Show information Mike Orlando
(314) 504-0503
<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>

The Collectorama Show
February 15 - 17, 2013
The Lakeland Center
Lakeland FL
Show information Ed Kuszman
Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com
Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

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Show information
John at (757) 222-4343
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Fakes and Spurious Issues

First read Jim's letter in Mail Call and then go to eBay and look at the note he refers to. We should all know just by looking at it that it can't be legitimate. After taking a peek, scroll back up here.

Going back a few days before Jim's letter came in I was making one of my favorite searches and came across one of the over-stamped Italian notes for Liguria on eBay. I found a 1000 Lira over-print on Italy P-26. (see SB page 272). Needing the piece I placed a bid and waited. Now when I read Jim's letter I noted that the seller of the Greek over-print was the same seller as the Italian over-print. Curious, I clicked on see other items and noted the same seller had a Fezzan over-print also for sale. This recalled a recent conversation with Larry. Joe had been visiting and had examined a number of Ski's notes and determined that Ski's Fezzan note was counterfeit.

One seller, three over-stamped notes, one of which we know is bad. My thought was to retract my bid, but on what grounds. Just because the Greek note was fake, did that mean the other two were bad also? They could very well be, but without actually examining the Italian note, I would not know. My bid was modest and well under the price range of other examples I have seen. I decided to let it ride and see if someone outbid me. As it turns out, no one did, and, for better or worse, the note is now mine.

If you looked for the Greek note you have seen that it sold for just under \$200, not including the shipping, after 15 bids. If you looked to see the seller's other items, you see there are none now listed. When I looked he had a number of other items listed in addition to the Fezzan note. Did someone alert eBay to the Greek fake or, with two lots sold, did the seller decide he had made enough? There is also the possibility the seller, unaware he was selling fakes, did the right thing and took all his items down after he found out. The old detective in me is a cynic, but I like to think it might be the case; I must be mellowing with age.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Today's question came in from Joe Boling:

OK, you Internet hounds - who can discover who Lain E Miller was and what was his connection to Task Force One? Or if not Lain, how do you read it?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

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[The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!]

Dear Editor,

I don't have the answer to who Lain Miller is - that was who signed the TF One note that the last Gram pointed us to.

Joe Boling

[This is not the answer to the previous question, but gives us a little more information]

The following are all listed as a Task Force Ones in WWII:

DBP1 Task Force One Pacific 1944 (British)

Operation Crossroads (US Army/Navy)

Operation Sea Orbit (US Navy)

Special Task Air Group One (STAGE-1)

(This group used the first drones ever deployed)

Covering Force Pacific Fleet Dec.1944

Inshore Patrol, Pacific Fleet Dec. 1944

West Coast Patrol 1945

TF-1 04/42 to 08/42

Task Force 1, Combat B, 30th Armoured Division US Army

Atomic Bomv Task Force

Battleship and Small Destroyer Screen West Coast

We need a little more information to determine which Task Force One is in question. Also L. E. Miller is illusive as well.

John Cheney

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EDITORIAL

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I will be quite happy if I did "cherry pick" the Italian over-print, but me thinks I will be disappointed. I'll take a good look when it arrives and then get Joe on the phone and tell him what I see. I may be able to return the note for a refund if it is fake. That remains to be seen. However it turns out, the note if I still have it, along with other examples in the series will go to FUN with me so anyone who wishes to can have a look. As an aside, perhaps Joe can send in a short primer on over-stamps and detecting fakes of same.

Regarding Bill Myers' piece, I'll venture a guess that it was stamped by someone in the military. If the token was valued in a particular quantity of beer, would not the quantity be stamped on the back as opposed to just the word "measured"? Prost!

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Dear Editor,

I figured it would only be a matter of time before someone tried faking these overprints. See Ebay item 110979568355, a faked BMA Greece overprint.

Jim Downey

Dear Editor,

I came across an 18 mm white metal (probably stainless steel) token that has MAIER GUSTL/FRANKFURT A.M. in a circle with an empty center on the obverse. The reverse is blank except it has been counter-stamped MESS. I found out that Maier Gustl is a beer hall in Frankfurt. Has anyone ever heard of this token? I do not know if the stamp was done by Germans (Google translates mess as measured in German) or was it counter-stamped for some use by the US military in Frankfurt.

Myers

Dear Editor,

We have another Philippine Islands related auction. Then information follows.

Cheers,

Colin Bruce

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BCC Directors

[There are some interesting pieces so take a look - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

You have no byline on the Ionian Island article, so anyone who sends in a lead on the 500 dr note is only guessing that it is the editor who wrote the article.

Joe Boling

[The guess would be correct. As "the staff, I do not use a byline for the articles I write, at least that's what Fred tells me - Ed.]

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If you can help me, please let me know.

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Donn Cuson

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CASE #2

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The Lakeland Center
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Getting an Education,
by Joe Boling

I have been swamped with emails since returning from MSNS, and only tonight opened gram 2166 with the information about fake GREECE, FEZZAN, and Liguria overprints.

I have been watching this seller for a couple of years. He has so far used four names. As Alhambra notes (Yashar al Qassar), he sold nine Fezzan notes, all fake. As trendyboyrrnb (Kevin Coquico) he sold 25 Fezzan notes, all fake. As bcustomsrnb (also Kevin Coquico) he sold seven Fezzan notes, all apparently fake (I never had one in hand). As luvinallsaints (still Kevin Coquico), he has now sold 15 Fezzan notes, all fake. Alhambra, trendy, and luv all have the same PayPal account, under the Alhambra name. I have left feedback that the notes I have bought have been inkjet copies, and have checked the box for spurious material on the feedback form (when you give a 1 or 2 for description, it comes back and asks why). Notice that he never gives you any magnification capability - all you get is the single not-too-large scan.

My recommendation is to not buy anything from this guy, if you want genuine material, and don't try to sell any of this kind of material on eBay - he is pulling the prices down because he has sold so much of it. Yesterday he closed the current Fezzan note, a 100-franc piece, at 91 pounds. If it were a genuine over-stamp, (of which only 2-3 are known, in museums), it would be worth \$2000 and up.

Why am I patronizing him? Because I use his material to show others what NOT to buy. I have succeeded in buying four genuine Fezzan pieces on eBay, spread over three years, from buyers who DID allow me to use the eBay magnification capabilities (which are not adequate to separate the inkjet from the rubber-stamped pieces) and who DID respond to my questions about provenance. luvinallsaints recently changed his stamp to copy a genuine piece that was sold by Lockdale's. He has used several versions of the stamp since I have been tracking Fezzan offerings.

The fact that all his offerings closed at once is typical. It has nothing to do with discovering that his offerings were fake - he has known that since day one. In a few days another group will go up - with another Fezzan fake. I never look at his other offerings, so I did not see the GREECE and Liguria pieces when they were offered.

Back to the note from Ski. It is still sitting on my desk awaiting measurement and analysis. I concluded it was probably fake (but a real rubber stamp, not digital) while I was at Ski's place, but have not had time to study it here with all my other pieces at hand. If it is indeed bad, it will be the rubber-stamped fake that was reported in the '70s but never described or published - a pre-digital-copy product.

Remember boys and girls, a 20x scope is your best defense against buying a digital product. Your next best defense is to take my counterfeit class at ANA summer seminar (and carrying that 20x glass after you have learned how to use it).

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Hi Philippine and WWII Book Collectors,

I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and wish all have a nice upcoming Holiday.

I have had a few problems which has delayed preparation of Mailbid XVIII. I have had some health issues, Hurricane Sandy cut off power for a time, and I admit I took off the last week to celebrate with my wife, our 50th Wedding Anniversary--that is an achievement, believe me!

I apologize to my mailbid consignors for the delay in getting listings back to them. However I am back at it again finished two consignments today for a total of 16. But have at least nine more large paper money consignments to go. I think in the end this will be a balanced sale of about 2000 lots. I note the significant number of encapsulated MS/PF65-66s in this sale! My goal is to finish Mailbid XVIII and mail it out after the first of the year.

I note from the Baltimore Show and Stack's--Ponterio auction that Philippine coins and paper money are in strong demand, especially encapsulated MS graded coins. Some lots I was interested in sold for 50% higher than I bid and I thought I knew the market! I noted also that there is very strong interest in Philippine Counter-stamps on Spanish

colony crowns, particularly if they are GENUINE and especially if they are Ferdinand 7th C/Ss. Also, I looked at all of the coins and dated the C/Ss in this sale. Several were of the 1832/1833 F.7.o. dates which are extremely SCARCE. I do have a number of C/Ss ready for Mailbid XVIII and those should be of interest to collectors of this series.

I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, the popular 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$24. It contains photos for grading Philippine coins and photos of many varieties listed in the catalog.

I have received the 2012 7th Edition of US/Philippine Coins. Mr. Culhane has added a Spanish section to the catalog. The grading descriptions were deleted and no photos of varieties are included so you will need to refer back to the 6th edition for those. Cost of the new edition is \$28 Postpaid in the USA.

I also have available: "History and Mintage Philippine Counterstamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, MD. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counterstamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate.

I have restocked my supply of the professionally made blue Philippine coin albums. Please contact me for price and availability of specific albums. There are now ten albums starting with the Spanish series through the Republic series. I will have these listed at cost in my Mailbid XVIII.

Thank You,

Ray Czahor

Cookie Jar Collectibles

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Who printed the 1942 two denomination set of notes from Curacao?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

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Today's question came in from Joe Boling:

OK, you Internet hounds - who can discover who Lain E Miller was and what was his connection to Task Force One? Or if not Lain, how do you read it?

It seems we won't get an answer to this question anytime soon, so we will let it go for now.

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EDITORIAL

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I'm not holding out a lot of hope that my Liguria over-stamped note will be the real deal, but I am curious as to how good or bad the over stamp looks under a glass. I am also curious as to why eBay would continue to let Coquico continue to sell under three different names despite feedback indicating spurious material. The note should be here in time for me to take it to the FUN show. I'd also ask Joe to bring one or two FEZZAN fakes to Florida.

The FUN show is only about a month away and if those of you who are planning to attend are interested in attending our annual FUN Fest Dinner, please let me know. We need a head count to determine where to hold the event and time to get it all organized.

Lastly, the Houston show just ended and I would ask for a report from anyone who was in attendance.

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Mail Call: SEND MAIL to: MPCGram@yahoo.com

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Dear Editor,
Will there be the annual Fest Dinner at FUN?
Judy requires time to set it up. Any idea on attendees?
Dave Seelye

Dear Editor,
Following the recommendation of Mr. Daniel, please add me to your free subscription list.
Richard C.Taylor (France)
[Dear Richard, Welcome to the MPC Gram. Please feel free to write in with questions or information on military numismatics - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
FOR SALE
Denmark 1 ore encased postage, nice condition, \$20.00 each
AAGE SEIBAK; Chr. Simonsen; JOHNSON RADIO
ColinBruce
kandybruce@hotmail.com

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FOR SALE

Big MPC Sale-Over 800 notes for sale, all grades. Conservatively graded with a value of over \$45,000. Too many to list so email me for the list.
Bill McNease

billsing97@aol.com

FOR SALE

Dear Editor,

Konversionkasse fur Deutsche Auslandsschulden bonds as listed in Kroll's new catalog on WW II Paper Money and Financials all punched holed cancelled.

English Pounds: 20, 50, 100

Reichsmark: 200, 500, 1000

French Frank: 200, 500, 1000

Dutch Gulden: 100, 250, 1000 (the 100 & 250 have a center fold)

Make offer to Colinat: kandybruce@hotmail.com

Colin Bruce

FOR SALE

NEW BOOK RELEASE 2012

WORLD WAR II PAPER MONEY and FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS of NAZI GERMANY

By Harold Kroll

Over 700 full color images of Notes, Coins, Scrip, Bonds, Reichlotterie Tickets, Local and Kolonial Lotteries, Steuergutschein, German Army Issues, Wehrmacht, Kriegsgefangenen-Lagergeld,

Konversionskasse, Winterhilfswerk, Bedarfsdeckungsschein,

Spende, Bordanweisung, Reisechecks and more packed between the covers of this publication. Countless updates to previous

listings and includes many new listings. Acceptance of this book has been tremendous and the comments have been awesome.

You can get your signed copy by the author, I have some inside pull on this, by sending payment, which includes shipping,

\$28.00 for US shipping or \$35.00 for International shipping to Harold Kroll, PO BOX 65, Semmes, Alabama, 36575-7724 or I will

accept payment through Paypal ID harbons@aol.com also my e-mail address if you would like to contact me with any questions.

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FOR SALE

NEW MPC CATALOG PUBLISHED IN 2012

BY Carlson R. Chambliss

The first all-color book on Military Payment Certificates to be published, this stunningly beautiful, large format, 152-page book should not be missed. Titled "A Concise Catalog of U. S. Military Payment Certificates" it describes in detail all 15 series of normal and replacement MPCs. The new replacement census tabulates more than 3500 items. Also discussed are MPC errors, fancies, specimens, replicas, counterfeits, voided notes, and souvenir cards. In addition there is a thorough listing of almost 500 POGs, the current form of tokens that are in use by U. S. Armed Forces in the Middle East. An annotated bibliography is also provided. This book is available for \$26.00 postpaid to anywhere in the USA. Quantity discounts are available, and these can be quite large if numerous copies are ordered. Foreign orders will cost more due to higher shipping costs. Please inquire. Checks should be made payable to C. R. Chambliss, P. O. Box 804, Kutztown, PA 19530. I can also be reached by email (see address above) and by telephone at: 1 610 683 6572

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need the following AMC Italian replacements.

Series 1943 50 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 100 Lire BEP

Series 1943 100 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 500 Lire BEP

Series 1943 500 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP

Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes

Series 1943A 500 Lire

If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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LINK TO CONCENTRATION CAMPS, INTERNMENT CAMPS, POW CAMPS AND DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP NOTES:

<http://www.worldandmilitarynotes.com/>

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LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

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To report lost/stolen numismatic items, or if you have any information that will help in their recovery, go to: <http://www.numismaticcrimes.org/>

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STOLEN/MISSING

CASE #1

A certified package en-route to CAC from CT. has been reported stolen/missing. The last known location was the Morgan St. Post Office New York City. The package included the following \$20 Gold coins:
1908 MS66 PCGS 2787773, 1908 MS66 PCGS 4631558, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118084, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117692, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50097963, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50114444, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30001245, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117914, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117907, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118045, 1924 MS66 PCGS 90004604, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50119504, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50051294, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50118203, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112318, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50117895, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112903, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50114927, 1924 MS66 PCGS 9000485, 1927 MS66 PCGS 30001246, 1928 MS66 PCGS 4901233, 1928 MS65 NGC 163052-015.

CASE #2

A lot of 20 high grade walking liberty half dollars en-route to PCGS has been reported stolen/missing. The coins originated in Ruston , LA to Shreveport , LA and then California via USPS.

CASE #3

A 1933 \$1 FRN, Richmond-Major Fold Over Error, PMG 40 EPQ FR 1918-E S/N E76728097 D has been reported stolen from USPS Miami Florida.

The following coins have been reported stolen: 1910 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3130631, 1911 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3147500-012, 1911D gold 21/2 Indian PCGS AU55 25577472, 1912 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 14867354, 1913 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 12120994.

Anyone with information on the cases listed above should contact:

Doug Davis
817-723-7231
Doug@numismaticcrimes.org

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SHOW CALENDAR - 2012 - 2013
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SoCal Coin & Currency Show
December 6 8, 2012
Ontario Convention Center
Ontario, CA
Show information <http://www.ckshows.com/>
(888) 330-5188

New York International Numismatic Convention
41st Annual show
January 10 13, 2013

Waldorf Astoria Hotel
Admission
Discount coupon at <http://www.nyinc.info/>
Multiple major auctions daily Sunday to Sunday
Educational programs
Show info Kevin Foley
kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

Florida United Numismatists 58th Convention
January 10 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Free Admission
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions
<http://www.ha.com/>
Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities
Show info: Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
<http://www.funtopics.com/>

San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show
January 25 27, 2013
Double Tree Hotel
San Jose, CA
Educational forum
Admission
Show information <http://www.sanjosecoinclub.org/>

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
February 7 9, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com/>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Charlotte Coin Club 43rd Annual Show
February 8 10, 2013
Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Free Admission
Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair
February 15 17, 2013
St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel
Show information Mike Orlando
(314) 504-0503
<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>

The Collectorama Show
February 15 - 17, 2013
The Lakeland Center
Lakeland FL

Show information Ed Kuszman
Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com
Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show
February 16 17, 2013
Virginia Beach Convention Center
Free admission, Educational Exhibits
Host Tidewater Coin Club
Show information
John at (757) 222-4343
<http://www.tidewatercoinclub.org/>
Tennessee State Coin Show
March 1 -3, 2013
Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Show information Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale
March 1 3, 2013
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
Sarasota, FL
Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and
Manatee Coin Club
Free Admission and Parking
Show information
http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual
March 7 - 10, 2013
Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare
Rosemont, IL
Admission
Educational Programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://www.new.lynknight.com/LK/>
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
<http://www.cpmxshow.com/>

MPC FEST XIV
March 15, 16, 17 2013
Holiday Inn Express
Port Clinton, OH
Friday Bourse
March Madness
Educational Presentations
Auction and a whole lot more!
Register for the Fest by calling Kim at the Fest Holiday Inn Express:
419 732-7322.
CPMX-FEST - Interested parties:

Bill Myers, Roger Urce

Northwest Coin Club's 79th Annual Money Show
March 15, 16, 17th, 2013
Earle Brown Heritage Center
6155 Earle Brown Drive, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
Free Admittance - Free Parking
Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700
Info - northwestcoinclub.com
Lee Quast
314-276-1162
amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual
Sunday, March 10, 2013
09:00 to 4:00 P.M.
New Berlin Ale House
16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI
For further information: <http://www.waukeshacoinclub.com/>

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
March 14 - 17, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>

Northwest Coin Clubs 79th Annual show
March 15 17, 2013
Earle Browne Heritage Center
Brooklyn Center, MN
Show information Lee Quast
(314) 276-1162
amerishow@gmail.com

C.A.M.P Spring Show
April 5 7, 2013
Monroeville, PA
Monroeville Convention Center
Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi
<http://www.sarosicoinshows.com/>

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention
65th Annual
April 12 14, 2013
Tukwila Community Center
Tukwila, WA
Admission
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Show information Michael Labosier
Mrlab@yahoo.com

<http://www.pnna.org/>

Chicago International Coin Fair

38th Annual

April 18 21, 2013

Admission

Educational programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

(800) 573-0333

<http://www.cicfshow.com/>

Michigan State Numismatic Society

April 19 21, 2013

Location to be decided

Show information Joe LeBlanc

jhl@michsoft.com

<http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

April 19 21, 2013

Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center

Dalton, GA

Free Parking

Show information Tom Youngblood

Tom.youngblood@att.net

<http://www.gamoney.org/>

Future shows

April 11 13, 2014

April 17 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society

April 24 - 27, 2013

Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,

Schaumburg, IL.

Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN Activities

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

www.centralstates.info/

Future shows

April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL

April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL

April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL

Richmond Coin Show

May 3 5, 2013

Richmond, VA

Clarion Hotel

Free Admission and Parking

Show information Connie Robertson

Connie3798@verizon.net
<http://www.richmondcoinclub.com/>

American Numismatic Association
National Money Show
May 9 - 11, 2013
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center
New Orleans, LA
Auction by Stacks Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Admission for non members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Discount coupons at <http://www.money.org/>
Email convention@money.org

Garden State Numismatic Association
May 16 - 18, 2013
Denver Coin Expo
May 17 - 19, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
Denver, CO
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

Texas Numismatic Association
55th Annual Coin Convention
May 31 - June 2, 2013
Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall
Fort Worth, TX
Admission for non members TNA & YNs
Show information Doug and Mary Davis
www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo
June 6 - 9, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
www.whitman.com/expos

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
June 6 - 8, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
Jan 30 - Feb 1, 2014

Jun 5-7, 2014

Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show

June 14 16, 2013

Cook Convention Center East Hall

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://new.lynknight.com/LK/>

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Doug Davis

dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention

July 11 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Educational Programs

And Exhibits (non competitive)

Free Admission

Show information Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

www.funtopics.com

SoCal Coin & Currency Show

July 18 20, 2013

Ontario Convention Center

Ontario, CA

Show information www.ckshows.com

(888) 330-5188

Missouri Numismatic Society

July 25 27, 2013

St. Charles Convention Center

St. Charles, MO

Free Admission and Parking

YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar

Auction Scotsman Auction Co.

www.scoins.com

Show information Sid Nusbaum

Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

American Numismatic Association

Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)

August 13 - 17, 2013

Donald E. Stephens Convention Center

Chicago/Rosemont

Auction by Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

Visit www.money.org

Email convention@money.org

Future shows

August 5 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont
August 11 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Philadelphia Expo
September 19 - 21, 2013
Philadelphia Convention Center
Philadelphia, PA
Auction Stacks-Bowers
www.stacksbowers.com
Contact David Crenshaw
Phone (404) 214-4373
www.whitmanbooks.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Sep 26 - 28, 2013
Long Beach Convention Center
Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
June 5 - 7, 2014
September 4 - 6, 2014
Moon Coin Show
October 11 13, 2013
Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)
118 tables
Free Admission and Parking
Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Denver Coin Expo
October 25 27, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
Denver, CO
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page www.denverxposhows.com

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The Bauman Rare Postal Note Collection,
by Keith Bauman

Here is the Article I sent to Linns stamp News that I thought you might find interesting regarding the Keith and Sue Bauman Rare Postal Note Collection currently in the Heritage FUN Auction the second week in January. Hope fully it will get in a Weekly Linns in the next couple of weeks and you will see it there.

Mr. Jay Bigalke,

I spoke with you yesterday about placing an article in your Linns Weekly Stamp News regarding an upcoming auction of the Keith and Sue Bauman rare Postal Note Collection. As you know Postal Notes were one of the earliest (1883 to 1894) ways to send money through the US Postal system. Being a very short lived system, with probably only three to four thousand notes surviving, the majority of reported notes are extremely scarce to rare!!!

As a collector since childhood of stamps, coins, paper money and fiscal related documents I decided to become a part-time dealer in 1982 while still working full time as a registered Architect in Michigan . After retiring ten years ago from that profession I became a full time currency dealer..Keith Bauman dba TNA Associates. Currently my wife Sue and I participate in a half dozen majors shows as table holders in the Midwest, as well attending twice that number on buying and selling trips each year.

Our deep interest in this area of Philatelics and Numismatics began well over 15 years ago when we were introduced to Postal Notes while attending Philatelic Shows / Conventions and decided to start building a five to seven note type set in our spare time. That initial desire grew into what is now ranked as one of the top three collections in the country. The Bauman Collection consists of fifty-two notes including two extremely rare redeemed notes, a postal note end stub, and one of two known postal note return envelopes.

Heritage Auctions out of Dallas, Texas will conduct the auction of our collection in the second week in January 2013 in conjunction with the FUN (Florida United Numismatists) Show in Orlando, Florida. Specifically, the Bauman Postal Notes will be in Session One of the Auction on Wednesday January 9th 2013.

Next is the introduction to the section in the Heritage Auction Catalogue where our Postal Notes are pictured and described including estimated values for each lot.

It is with great pleasure that Heritage presents the Keith and Sue Bauman Collection of Postal Notes. For years, Postal Notes languished in obscurity and were of interest only to a small sub-set of philatelists. There was little information available to the collecting public, and what information there was seldom was publicized other than in the most specialized of journals. Thanks to the research of such pioneers as Nicholas Bruyer and Charles Surasky, a new generation of collectors has embraced the collecting of these interesting currency items. Among the leading collectors during the past two decades were Keith and Sue Bauman. Their holdings were predominantly obtained privately, and augmented by purchases from such collections as our sales of the Tarheel and Bruyer holdings. Included in the Bauman holdings are examples of the rarest of the rare Postal Notes, specimens which were cashed and redeemed, a species of notes which neither Heritage nor any other numismatic auction firm has ever been able to offer. Enjoy this exceptional offering of a collection formed over two decades of searching, as its like will not be available for many years.

Those of us who will attend FUN should take the opportunity to at least look at these Postal Notes - Ed.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What three themed images are depicted on the Greater East Asia War Anniversary note of 1942?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

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Where was the Curragh Internment Camp and what were the denominations of the pieces used?

ANSWER:

My uneducated guess to the Championship Question, "Where was the Curragh Internment Camp and what were the denominations of the pieces used?" is as follows:

The location is The Curragh Camp in The Curragh, County Kildare, Ireland.

The denominations were 1 pence and 2 pence in bronze and 1 shilling and 2 shillings in aluminum used made in 1940.

Because of the long time military use of this site, I think this may be a trick question and I am very nervous about the consequences of my guess being wrong.

I don't think that I will be able to eat or sleep until I find out the correct answer!

Thanks,
John Phipps

ANSWER:

Dear Gram:

The Curragh camp was located in Ireland 35 miles from Dublin.

George Slade

ANSWER:

Ireland: 1.5 (civilian canteen), 1, 6 pence, 1, 2 shillings.

Myers

ANSWER:

The answer to the quiz is Ireland 1 pence and 6 pence both brass, and a 1 and 2 shilling in aluminum. Campbell 5550-54.

David Seelye

(And now for the commercial; I have several of the 4 coin sets available at \$400 postpaid.)

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EDITORIAL
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With the information provided by Judy Seelye who has done the research for our FUN dinner this year, and we determined the location of Pointe Orlando on International Drive seems to be central to everyone's overnight accommodations for ease in coming/leaving.

The following restaurants online, including seating arrangements:

Marlow's Tavern, The Pub - bar setting w/food, no large group setup
Taverna Opa - too loud, but a favorite for fun, Greek menu
Tommy Bahama Restaurant & Bar, Capital Grille, The Oceanaire Seafood Room, Funky Monkey Wine Co. - too expensive for this event
Hooters, Johnny Rockets, Fat Fish Blue Improv Comedy Club, BB King's Blues Club, Ben & Jerry's - inappropriate for this event
Cuba Libre Restaurant & Rum Bar - pricey for this event and menu selections may not be favored for majority

Bahama Breeze - a favorite of many; however, experience has shown it can be a bit noisy. This group went there last year - don't know if 20 can be seated together. We were in separate tables next to each other but comments made were that persons could not chat with others at the other tables.

In looking into a private room with a modest dinner menu and some drinks, prices were way out of line - \$2000 minimums. While this would be ideal for fellowship and privacy, the cost is far beyond what we would like to spend.

After some exhaustive research by our dinner planner, Judy Seelye, and consultation with your editor, the Copper Canyon Grille has been selected the site for the 2013 Annual FUN FEST Dinner. Go to their website, <http://ccgrill.com/copper-canyon-woodfire-club.php> and take a look at the Orlando location for a menu and additional information.

The plan is to meet at 1830 hours on Friday 11 January 2013 at the outside patio/bar where all sorts of refreshing beverages, are available on a pay as you go basis. We will be seated for dinner, all of us at one table, at 1900 and will have our choice of any of the wide selection of menu items for dinner, one to fit every taste. Menu choices vary from \$12.00 to \$55.00 for complete dinners. By signing the contract the person providing the credit card required is one the line for a minimum charge of \$316.25 if the reservation is cancelled anytime prior to 7PM January 10, 2013 (The charge is \$250 Plus 6.5% tax and 20% gratuity). A cancelation with less than 24 hour notice would cause a charge of \$632.50. This is the minimum charge (\$500 plus 6.5% tax and 20% gratuity, totaling \$623.50) to guarantee the reservation and the individual table. BUT included with that would be any beverages purchased in the 6:30PM to 7PM pre dinner get-together in the outside bar area. We will all get individual checks.

At present there are twelve of us attending, and if I anticipate we will have our usual number of 20 dinner guests, it would average out to a cost of \$32.00 per person for dinner and drinks. At present we have twelve for dinner and I would hope that those who are planning to go to the show will join us. It's been a great event in the past, so please join in.

The reservation has been made, so please let me know that you plan to attend. Rumor has it tickets may be required for admission, so it is important to respond without delay.

From the entire staff here at the Gram, please accept our best wishes for a very Merry Christmas, a very Happy Hanukkah and Happy Holiday Season. May all your numismatic wishes come true in the New Year 2013, and may you all be healthy and happy.

And,

One of my friends says that he does not like to collect common notes- they are like aspirin, a drug on the market.

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Mail Call: SEND MAIL to: MPCGram@yahoo.com

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I just came across the Previous Question in this Gram'Who printed the 1942 two denomination set of notes from Curacao?

3 answers, all stating ABNCo.

The ABNCo printed a 1 and an 2.50 Muntbiljet in 1942 for Curaao - the 1 in two signature varieties (Wouters/Kasteel), the 2.50 only with the signature of Kasteel.

That's it ! On both denominations the date was preprinted '1942'So, no typed or stamped date varieties, no 0.50 and 1 'set'

And I'm afraid the rest of the story makes no sense either.Until you realise that someone must have mixed up their countries. The notes you're talking about are for Surinam not Curaao.

Or am I missing something?

Theo van Elmpt

[I'll repeat Neil's answer to the question below and I'll explain that the question came from Remembered page 350 and the notes I was referring to were the two note set consisting of the one gulden (red - SB5221/P35a) and the 2 1/2 gulden (blue - SB5222/P36), both of which have beautiful vignettes printed by ABNCo. There is also a THREE note set for Curacao, also printed by ABNCo and another two note set printed by ABNCo, but these, Remembered page 352 were for Surinam also a part of the Netherlands West Indies. There was no intent to make this a trick question. I would ask Neil to provide the Pick or SB numbers for the other set he referred to - Ed.]

Another trick question for the Quiz because there were two 2-denomination sets printed for Curacao in 1942by our good old ABN. One was the MuntbiljetHalf gulden and 1 Gulden withprinted date; this 1942 issue of two was the only one with this style of date. There were a number of earlier issues of both denominations going back to 1940, but all these earlier notes had dates that appear to have been stamped or typed. That use of dates allows for separation of the 1942 notes as a "set" though they use the same design of the 1940-41 notes.

The other set consisted of the2 1/2 and 5 Gulden. These are a so-called "set of 2" only because they arethe only ones in a uniformsmaller size. Other ABN-printed notesalso dated 1942 are all of a uniform larger size. Neil Shafer

Dear Editor,

The shell casings for the mint were not collected on the battlefields - too expensive to bring them back. They were collected from training sites in CONUS.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

You can add Nicaragua 1, 5, 10, 25 centavos 1943(p) to the shell casings coin list.

Myers

Dear Editor,

I was in theArmy 1962-65. All ammunitions were counted out and expendedbrass shell casings were counted again and turned in..... well figure all the firing ranges during WW II.....up thru

howitzers... that is a lot of brassand they didn't leave it
laying around and piling up.....
Cheers,
Colin.

Dear Editor,
Julie and I would like to attend the Fun Banquet.
Dave Frank

Dear Editor,
I'll be at the FUN Show, have a table with S&S Currency. Friday night 11
Jan is best for me as Saturday night 12 is taken by family. Hope to see
you there and others as well.
Jack Lippincott

Dear Editor,
Kathy & I would like to thank Dick and Loretta Freyser for their generous
contribution to the Military Numismatic Scholarship Fund.
Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need the following AMC Italian replacements.
Series 1943 50 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 100 Lire BEP
Series 1943 100 Lire Forbes
Series 1943 500 Lire BEP
Series 1943 500 Lire Forbes
Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP
Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes
Series 1943A 500 Lire
If you can help me, please let me know.
David E. Seelye
davideseelye@gmail.com
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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.
Donn Cuson
donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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LINK TO CONCENTRATION CAMPS, INTERNMENT CAMPS, POW CAMPS AND DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP NOTES:

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To report lost/stolen numismatic items, or if you have any information that will help in their recovery, go to: <http://www.numismaticcrimes.org/>

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STOLEN/MISSING

CASE #1

A certified package en-route to CAC from CT. has been reported stolen/missing. The last known location was the Morgan St. Post Office New York City. The package included the following \$20 Gold coins:
1908 MS66 PCGS 2787773, 1908 MS66 PCGS 4631558, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118084, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117692, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50097963, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50114444, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30001245, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117914, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117907, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118045, 1924 MS66 PCGS 90004604, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50119504, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50051294, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50118203, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112318, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50117895, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112903, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50114927, 1924 MS66 PCGS 9000485, 1927 MS66 PCGS 30001246, 1928 MS66 PCGS 4901233, 1928 MS65 NGC 163052-015.

CASE #2

A lot of 20 high grade walking liberty half dollars en-route to PCGS has been reported stolen/missing. The coins originated in Ruston , LA to Shreveport , LA and then California via USPS.

CASE #3

A 1933 \$1 FRN, Richmond-Major Fold Over Error, PMG 40 EPQ FR 1918-E S/N E76728097 D has been reported stolen from USPS Miami Florida.

The following coins have been reported stolen: 1910 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3130631, 1911 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3147500-012, 1911D gold 21/2 Indian PCGS AU55 25577472, 1912 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 14867354, 1913 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 12120994.

Anyone with information on the cases listed above should contact:

Doug Davis
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SHOW CALENDAR - 2013

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41st Annual show

January 10 13, 2013

Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Admission

Discount coupon at <http://www.nyinc.info/>

Multiple major auctions daily Sunday to Sunday

Educational programs

Show info Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

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January 10 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Free Admission

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions

<http://www.ha.com/>

Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities

Show info: Cindy Wibker

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ANNUAL FUN FEST BANQUET:

Bill Myers, Bob Jaques, Judy and David Seelye, Mike Buckley, Dave Hunsicker, Bill Bierly, Neil Shafer, Julie and Dave Frank, Jack Lippincott and Roger Urce (12)

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January 25 27, 2013

Double Tree Hotel

San Jose, CA

Educational forum

Admission

Show information <http://www.sanjosecoinclub.org/>

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

February 7 9, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>

Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com/>
And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

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February 8 - 10, 2013
Metrolina Trade Show Expo
Free Admission
Show information Jerry Sajbel
jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair
February 15 - 17, 2013
St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel
Show information Mike Orlando
(314) 504-0503
<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>

The Collectorama Show
February 15 - 17, 2013
The Lakeland Center
Lakeland FL
Show information Ed Kuszman
Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com
Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show
February 16 - 17, 2013
Virginia Beach Convention Center
Free admission, Educational Exhibits
Host Tidewater Coin Club
Show information
John at (757) 222-4343
<http://www.tidewatercoinclub.org/>
Tennessee State Coin Show
March 1 - 3, 2013
Camp Jordan Arena
Chattanooga, TN
Show information Gayle Pike
pikegk@aol.com
<http://www.tsns.org/>

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale
March 1 - 3, 2013
Sarasota Municipal Auditorium
Sarasota, FL
Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and
Manatee Coin Club
Free Admission and Parking
Show information
http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual
March 7 - 10, 2013
Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

Rosemont, IL
Admission
Educational Programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://www.new.lynknight.com/LK/>
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
<http://www.cpmxshow.com/>

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March 15, 16, 17 2013
Holiday Inn Express
Port Clinton, OH
Friday Bourse
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Register for the Fest by calling Kim at the Fest Holiday Inn Express:
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CPMX-FEST - Interested parties:
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March 15, 16, 17th, 2013
Earle Brown Heritage Center
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Free Admittance - Free Parking
Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700
Info - northwestcoinclub.com
Lee Quast
314-276-1162
amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual
Sunday, March 10, 2013
09:00 to 4:00 P.M.
New Berlin Ale House
16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI
For further information: <http://www.waukeshacoinclub.com/>

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
March 14 - 17, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Contact David Crenshaw
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March 15 17, 2013
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Brooklyn Center, MN
Show information Lee Quast
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C.A.M.P Spring Show
April 5 7, 2013
Monroeville, PA
Monroeville Convention Center
Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi
<http://www.sarosicoinshows.com/>

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention
65th Annual
April 12 14, 2013
Tukwila Community Center
Tukwila, WA
Admission
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Show information Michael Labosier
Mrlab@yahoo.com
<http://www.pnna.org/>

Chicago International Coin Fair
38th Annual
April 18 21, 2013
Admission
Educational programs
Possible Mini Fest
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Show information Scott Tappa
Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com
(800) 573-0333
<http://www.cicfshow.com/>

Michigan State Numismatic Society
April 19 21, 2013
Location to be decided
Show information Joe LeBlanc
jhl@michsoft.com
<http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show
April 19 21, 2013
Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center
Dalton, GA
Free Parking
Show information Tom Youngblood
Tom.youngblood@att.net
<http://www.gamoney.org/>
Future shows
April 11 13, 2014
April 17 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society
April 24 - 27, 2013
Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
Schaumburg, IL.
Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)
Educational Programs and Exhibits
YN Activities
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Kevin Foley
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www.centralstates.info/
Future shows
April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL
April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL
April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL
Richmond Coin Show
May 3 5, 2013
Richmond, VA
Clarion Hotel
Free Admission and Parking
Show information Connie Robertson
Connie3798@verizon.net
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American Numismatic Association
National Money Show
May 9 - 11, 2013
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center
New Orleans, LA
Auction by Stacks Bowers
<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>
Admission for non members,
Exhibits and Educational Programs
Contact (800) 367-9723
Discount coupons at <http://www.money.org/>
Email convention@money.org

Garden State Numismatic Association
May 16 18, 2013
Denver Coin Expo
May 17 19, 2013
National Western Expo Hall
Denver, CO
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

Texas Numismatic Association
55th Annual Coin Convention
May 31 June 2, 2013
Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall
Fort Worth, TX
Admission for non members TNA & YNs
Show information Doug and Mary Davis

www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

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June 6 - 9, 2013
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
Auction Stacks-Bowers
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June 6 - 8, 2013
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Long Beach, CA
Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
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or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014
Jun 5-7, 2014
Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show
June 14 16, 2013
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Memphis Marriott Downtown
Auction Lyn Knight Auctions
<http://new.lynknight.com/LK/>
Educational Programs and Exhibits
Possible Mini Fest
Show information Doug Davis
dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention
July 11 13, 2013
Orange County Convention Center
Educational Programs
And Exhibits (non competitive)
Free Admission
Show information Cindy Wibker
cwibker@aol.com
www.funtopics.com

SoCal Coin & Currency Show
July 18 20, 2013
Ontario Convention Center
Ontario, CA
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July 25 27, 2013
St. Charles Convention Center

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Show information Sid Nusbaum
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Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
Chicago/Rosemont
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Future shows
August 5 - 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont
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Sep 26 - 28, 2013
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Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com
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And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>
Future shows
June 5 - 7, 2014
September 4 - 6, 2014
Moon Coin Show
October 11 - 13, 2013
Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)
118 tables
Free Admission and Parking
Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Denver Coin Expo
October 25 - 27, 2013
National Western Expo Hall

Denver, CO
154 tables
Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585
Web page www.denverxposhows.com

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QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE 14TH and 15th ISSUES OF POGs,

byCarlson R. Chambliss

In my recently published catalog of MPCs I tried to make the section on POGs of the AAFES as accurate and up-to-date as possible. For the most part my listings are based on items that I actually have in my collection. Douglas Bell and Steven Swoish have also published a complete listing of POGs that includes color scans of all items known to them. For the 14th Issue that was released in 2010, I find that there are a few significant differences. I have a 5 cent POG depicting a Jet Fighter and with a foil coating that I list as no. 425. I also have a 10 cent POG depicting a person facing the Flag and Sun. This I list as no. 439. The

Bell-Swoishweb site liststhe designs as 14E10 and 14D5, respectively, but the denominations are reversed, i.e., the Flag and Sun are on a 5c and the Jet Fighter is on a 10c POG. Color scans are provided, and so I assume that the POGs in question are real. Thus it appears that both the Flag and Sun and the Jet Fighter designs were each used on both 5 cent and 10 cent POGs. Rather confusing for persons using these items. Is one version "normal" and one version "abnormal" or did the AAFES really intend to do this?

For the 25 cent POGs of this issue both my catalog and the Bell-Swoish listing are in agreement about the 25 cent POG depicting Soldiers by an Osprey. This item (nos. 450-51 in my catalog and no. 14D25 in Bell-Swoish) exists both with and without the OEF overprint. The scans in Bell-Swoish and the POGs in my collection on two other 25 c POGs depicting Welcoming Children and a Military Surgeon match each other. The former lacks an OIF overprint while the latter has it. For the former item Bell-Swoish claims that this POG (no. 14F25 in their listing and no. 453 in mine) also exists with an overprint. For the latter item (no. 14K 25 in Bell-Swoish and nos. 457-58 in my catalog) both of us claim that this POG depicting a Surgeon exists without the OIF overprint as well as with it. Is that indeed the case? I would like to see scans of the Welcoming Children POG with an overprint and the Surgeon POG without the OIF overprint.

For the 15th issue of POGs apparently there was much confusion over the holographic 5 cent item that depicts emblems. Apparently it has multiple images. There is actually only one variety, but up to five different images can be read from it. So far as I know a complete set of the 15th issue would consist of 12 five-cent and 13 each of the 10-cent and 25-cent values. I do not yet have a complete set of these. I imagine that the cost of manufacturing a POG with multiple holographic images would considerably exceed five cents. It seems odd that they didn't put this on a quarter.

In my catalog I clarify the situation regarding weights and sizes of all POGs. There is no difference whatsoever in the weights of 5-cent and 10-cent POGs on the one hand and 25-cent POGs on the other. All weigh very close to 0.80 gram each. I did find some slight deviations from 800 milligrams per item, but cheap plastic items of this sort would hardly be subject to the sort of tolerances used for gold coins. I did obtain weights of 806 mg each of the recent POGs with foil coatings, but probably these are just within the normal weight standards used for the others. The holographic POGs that first appeared in the 10th Issue are significantly heavier. They weigh 1.35 grams each. As far as sizes are concerned, all POGs are 40 mm in diameter, not 25 mm (i.e., quarter-sized). Incidentally a silver dollar is 39 mm in diameter.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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How many different prefix/suffix letters were used for MPC?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS QUESTION:

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What three themed images are depicted on the Greater East Asia War Anniversary note of 1942?

ANSWER:

Yasukuni Shrine and the Golden Kite on the face and Mount Takachiho of the back of the 50 sen note.

Myers

ANSWER:

Yasukuni shrine in Tokyo

* Golden kite (a bird)

* Mount Takachiho

John Cheney

Dear Honorable Esteemed and Noblest Editor,

I am greatly embarrassed and deeply humiliated that my answers were in error on the denomination of the Curragh Internment Camp items. I mistakenly answered that one was a 2 pence when in fact I should have answered that one was a 6 pence. I will probably have to change my identity and change my location to hide my shame.

John Phipps

[No need to enter the witness protection program; we've all been there - even superman had kryptonite - Ed.]

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EDITORIAL

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One of my recent purchases, a one ore piece from Norway, arrived in the mail a couple of days ago. The coin is made of iron, which in and of itself is interesting, but also of interest is the fact that it is described in the Standard Catalog of World Coins as having been issued for the German occupation of Norway (see catalog listing KM 387). These iron coins were issued from 1941 through 1945 and my coin has a date of 1943.

The coins mentioned in the listings for Norway in Remembered are 10, 25 and 50 ore nickel-brass pieces minted in London. There are other listings in the coinage addendum in the back of the book that list 1 ore pieces dated 1941 through 1945, as are denominations. No mention is made of the metal composition, but looking in the SCWC, we find that the 2 and 5 ore pieces (KM 394 and 388) are iron, while the 10, 25 and 50 (KM 389, 395 and 390) ore pieces are of zinc composition. All feature the same designs, that of a shield with what appears to be a lion holding a sword on the obverse and the denomination and date of the reverse.

There is no section in Remembered for occupied Norway, so my guess is the coins were listed in the addendum. Perhaps the addendum should be amended to indicate the purpose/use of these pieces. I find the set interesting and now that I have the 1 ore the collector in me needs to find the other denominations so my current coin has some company.

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We now have fifteen dinner guests for our FUN Banquet and I wanted to send a reminder to those of you who plan to come to the show to join us for some fellowship.

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This is the last Gram of 2012 - Happy New Year!!!

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Mail Call: SEND MAIL to: MPCGram@yahoo.com

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Editor's note: The following came to us via Herb Friedman]

Dear Sir, [Herb Friedman]

After reading your website entitled "WWII Allied Propaganda Banknotes," I learned a great deal about the Japanese-issued Philippine banknotes from 1942 that I recently discovered in my grandfather's photo album from his time in Japan in 1946/1947. I am hoping that you can direct me to a credible source that will inform me about the A series Ten Yen banknote that he also brought back with him.

It is currently my understanding that they were only in use by American military personnel on Okinawa for three years, and were phased out by July of 1948, but cannot find any more information about them. I would like to attempt to determine if this is indeed a genuine A series banknote, or not. Any assistance you could provide would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Nyssa A. Runyan

[Dear Nyssa Runyan]

I am no expert but the A yen were designed for Korea, but used in Japan for a few months in 1946. I do not believe they were ever forged. Depending on condition, they can retail from \$40 to about \$250. The latter of course would have to be just about perfect and mint. You can send your question to Fred Schwan at Mpcgram@yahoo.com. He is an expert.

Herb Friedman

Dear Editor,

After looking through my grandfather's photo album from his time in Japan in 1946/47 for the first time two days ago, I discovered several varieties of Japanese currency printed during the war. Among these banknotes was a A yen note for 10 Yen. After many hours of research, it is my understanding that the use of these notes was limited to American military personnel, and after 1948 these notes were phased out in favor of the B Yen, which were used by military and civilian alike for the next decade. Unfortunately, this is all I could discover, and was not able to find any scanned images or descriptions of the A Yen. Mr. Herb Friedman referred me to your expertise, and I hope that you can point me in the direction of a book or credible website that will provide me with more information. Thank you for your time.

Nyssa Runyan

[The Gram reply:]

Dear Mr. Runyan,

I have added your name and email address to our subscriber listing for the MPCGram and you will receive your first issue later today from mpcgram@binhost.com. We all share an interest in military numismatics and for that the Gram is the place to be. I can also recommend two books: Comprehensive Catalog of Military Payment Certificates, by Fred Schwan and World War II Remembered, by Fred Schwan and Joseph Boling. Both books contain substantial information not only on A and B yen, but on the military issues of WW II; both are well illustrated.

Roger Urce

Editor

Dear Editor,

I goofed!! I wrote about notes from Surinam instead of Curacaoas our good friend Van Elmpt pointed out Please excuse the hasty reply I posted without reading carefully what I was answering. OH well, it just proves that folks are really reading the Gram, and that's a good thing. Happy New Year to all!

Neil Shafer

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank Benny Haimovitz for his generous contribution to theMilitary Numismatic Scholarship Fund.

Dan and Kathy Freeland

Dear Editor,

From my previous research on the subject of shell casing cents, I found that there are a variety of theories and guesses about the sell casings used and the composition of the cents themselves. Here is my best analysis of the subject:

I don't think anyone knows exactly how many shell casings were used, or exactly where they came from. However, I found multiple sources which said that the majority were Naval shells, and that by far, the majority of those were 5"/38 shell casings.

As far as the composition of the cents during the war years, the first change was made for the some of the 1942 cents when Tin was removed from the alloy. This resulted in a composition of approximately 95% Copper, 5% Zinc (brass) rather than the previous years of approximately 95% Copper, 4% Zinc, 1% Tin (bronze).

Then there were the zinc coated steel cents of 1943. Now for the years of 1944, 45, 46, when the shell casings were used, they did not simply use melted shell casings. The shell casings were made of about 70% Copper, 30% Zinc. So to get the the alloy back to a similar composition as the 1942 cents, pure copper ingots were added to the melt to get a 95%, 5% ratio. For the transition year 1946, both the shell casing brass alloy and the pre-1942 bronze alloy were used.

There was not a great deal of quality control on limiting contaminating trace elements. This accounts for the many stories of streaks and spots on these cents. A read a report of a chemist who did extensive analysis of the cents back in the 1960s which confirmed many of the trace contaminates, which included carbon, phosphorus and manganese from the explosive residue in the shell casings, as well as trace amounts of Lead and Iron.

The US Mint web site has this chart concerning cent composition:

Following is a brief chronology of the metal composition of the cent coin (penny):

The composition was pure copper from 1793 to 1837.

From 1837 to 1857, the cent was made of bronze (95 percent copper, and five percent tin and zinc).

From 1857, the cent was 88 percent copper and 12 percent nickel, giving the coin a whitish appearance.

The cent was again bronze (95 percent copper, and five percent tin and zinc) from 1864 to 1962.

(Note: In 1943, the coin's composition was changed to zinc-coated steel. This change was only for the year 1943 and was due to the critical use of copper for the war effort. However, a limited number of copper pennies were minted that year.

In 1962, the cent's tin content, which was quite small, was removed. That made the metal composition of the cent 95 percent copper and 5 percent zinc.

The alloy remained 95 percent copper and 5 percent zinc until 1982, when the composition was changed to 97.5 percent zinc and 2.5 percent copper (copper-plated zinc). Cents of both compositions appeared in that year.

Notice that they say NOTHING about the 1942, 1944, 1945, 1946 cents!

I could go on, but if you have any questions with which I may be able help - just ask.

David Klinger

Dear Editor,

For those going to FUN there will be an IBNS meeting on Sat 12 JAN 13 at 1100 in room S321 and the MPC Mini-fest will follow that meeting in the same room. The room is booked for 2 hours.

Myers

Dear Editor,

I think Louise put us in for the FUN dinner, but I have not seen it appear in the gram, so if we are not accounted for, please add us.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

I plan to attend the 2013 FUN FEST Dinner.

Benny P. Haimovitz

Dear Editor,

[In reply to Colin Bruce's letter]

Yes, but a good sergeant knows that the brass is collected and usually weighed or counted. So, a really good sergeant always had a bag of spare brass just in case there was a problem. If the ammo NCO was refusing to allow your men to leave the range because there were a dozen shell casings unaccounted for, you dipped into your magic bag and [voila] you were off to the barracks.

The Sergeant Major Friedman

Dear Editor,

Mr Howard Daniel recommended that I subscribe to your 'MPC GRAM' newsletter; I suspect I'll find it informative and interesting.

Thank you.

Tom Mezs

[Dear Tom, Welcome to the Gram. We have added your email address to our subscriber list and would encourage you to submit your comments and questions - Ed.]

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POST / BASE EXCHANGE (PX/BX/NEX)

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Dump your dupes! Your classified advertisement for items for sale, purchase or trade will be run here for free. Send your ads to the Gram. This service is for everyone, most humble dealer or most advanced collector. The point is to make the Gram more interesting. In all cases confirm your order via email first. Ads will run for approximately two weeks.

FOR SALE

Big MPC Sale-Over 800 notes for sale, all grades. Conservatively graded with a value of over \$45,000. Too many to list so email me for the list.

Bill McNease

billsing97@aol.com

FOR SALE

Dear Editor,

Konversionkasse fur Deutsche Auslandsschulden bonds as listed in Kroll's new catalog on WW II Paper Money and Financials all punched holed cancelled.

English Pounds: 20, 50, 100

Reichsmark: 200, 500, 1000

French Frank: 200, 500, 1000

Dutch Gulden: 100, 250, 1000 (the 100 & 250 have a center fold)

Make offer to Colinat: kandybruce@hotmail.com

Colin Bruce

FOR SALE

NEW BOOK RELEASE 2012

WORLD WAR II PAPER MONEY and FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS of NAZI GERMANY

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Over 700 full color images of Notes, Coins, Scrip, Bonds, Reichlotterie Tickets, Local and Kolonial Lotteries, Steuergutschein,

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FOR SALE

NEW MPC CATALOG PUBLISHED IN 2012

BY Carlson R. Chambliss

The first all-color book on Military Payment Certificates to be published, this stunningly beautiful, large format, 152-page book should not be missed. Titled "A Concise Catalog of U. S. Military Payment Certificates" it describes in detail all 15 series of normal and replacement MPCs. The new replacement census tabulates more than 3500 items. Also discussed are MPC errors, fancies, specimens, replicas, counterfeits, voided notes, and souvenir cards. In addition there is a thorough listing of almost 500 POGs, the current form of tokens that are in use by U. S. Armed Forces in the Middle East. An annotated

bibliography is also provided. This book is available for \$26.00 postpaid to anywhere in the USA. Quantity discounts are available, and these can be quite large if numerous copies are ordered. Foreign orders will cost more due to higher shipping costs. Please inquire. Checks should be made payable to C. R. Chambliss, P. O. Box 804, Kutztown, PA 19530. I can also be reached by email (see address above) and by telephone at: 1 610 683 6572

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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WANTED

I need the following AMC Italian replacements.

Series 1943 50 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 100 Lire BEP

Series 1943 100 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 500 Lire BEP

Series 1943 500 Lire Forbes

Series 1943 1000 Lire BEP

Series 1943 1000 Lire Forbes

Series 1943A 500 Lire

If you can help me, please let me know.

David E. Seelye

davideseelye@gmail.com

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WANTED

Okinawa military club paper chits, full books, partial books or single chits. Having a hard time finding any so even if you just have a single chit I would be interested.

Donn Cuson

donn@rememberingokinawa.com

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LINK TO CONCENTRATION CAMPS, INTERNMENT CAMPS, POW CAMPS AND DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP NOTES:

<http://www.worldandmilitarynotes.com/>

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LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

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To report lost/stolen numismatic items, or if you have any information that will help in their recovery, go to: <http://www.numismaticcrimes.org/>

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STOLEN/MISSING

CASE #1

A certified package en-route to CAC from CT. has been reported stolen/missing. The last known location was the Morgan St. Post Office New York City. The package included the following \$20 Gold coins:

1908 MS66 PCGS 2787773, 1908 MS66 PCGS 4631558, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118084, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30002057, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117692, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50097963, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50114444, 1924 MS66 PCGS 30001245, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117914, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50117907, 1924 MS66 PCGS 50118045, 1924 MS66 PCGS 90004604, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50119504, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50051294, 1925 MS66 PCGS 50118203, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112318, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50117895, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50112903, 1927 MS66 PCGS 50114927, 1924 MS66 PCGS 9000485, 1927 MS66 PCGS 30001246, 1928 MS66 PCGS 4901233, 1928 MS65 NGC 163052-015.

CASE #2

A lot of 20 high grade walking liberty half dollars en-route to PCGS has been reported stolen/missing. The coins originated in Ruston , LA to Shreveport , LA and then California via USPS.

CASE #3

A 1933 \$1 FRN, Richmond-Major Fold Over Error, PMG 40 EPQ FR 1918-E S/N E76728097 D has been reported stolen from USPS Miami Florida.

The following coins have been reported stolen: 1910 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3130631, 1911 gold 21/2 Indian NGC MS62 3147500-012, 1911D gold 21/2 Indian PCGS AU55 25577472, 1912 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 14867354, 1913 gold 21/2 Indian PCGS 12120994.

Anyone with information on the cases listed above should contact:

Doug Davis

817-723-7231

Doug@numismaticcrimes.org

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2013 Donors Military Numismatics Scholarship Fund

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Donations to the scholarship fund may be made by sending a check made out to the Military Numismatics Scholarship Fund. Mail checks to Dan Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744-0195.

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SHOW CALENDAR - 2013

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New York International Numismatic Convention

41st Annual show

January 10 13, 2013

Waldorf Astoria Hotel

Admission

Discount coupon at <http://www.nyinc.info/>

Multiple major auctions daily Sunday to Sunday

Educational programs

Show info Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

Florida United Numismatists 58th Convention

January 10 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Free Admission

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions

<http://www.ha.com/>

Educational Exhibits, Programs & YN activities

Show info: Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

<http://www.funtopics.com/>

ANNUAL FUN FEST BANQUET:

Bill Myers, Bob Jaques, Judy and David Seelye, Mike Buckley, Dave Hunsicker, Bill Bierly , Neil Shafer, Julie and Dave Frank, Jack Lippincott, Louise and Joe Boling, Benny Haimovitz and Roger Urce (15)

San Jose Coin Clubs 45th Annual show

January 25 27, 2013

Double Tree Hotel

San Jose, CA

Educational forum

Admission

Show information <http://www.sanjosecoinclub.org/>

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

February 7 9, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions <http://www.ha.com/>

Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com/>

And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Charlotte Coin Club 43rd Annual Show

February 8 - 10, 2013

Metrolina Trade Show Expo

Free Admission

Show information Jerry Sajbel

jsajbel@comporium.net

49th Annual Greater America Coin Fair

February 15 - 17, 2013

St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel

Show information Mike Orlando

(314) 504-0503

<http://www.stlouiscoinclub.com/>

The Collectorama Show

February 15 - 17, 2013

The Lakeland Center

Lakeland FL

Show information Ed Kuszman

Email collectorama@flacurrencycoin.com

Web site <http://coinshows.wix.com/collectorama>

Virginia Beach Coin Show

February 16 - 17, 2013

Virginia Beach Convention Center

Free admission, Educational Exhibits

Host Tidewater Coin Club

Show information

John at (757) 222-4343

<http://www.tidewatercoinclub.org/>

Tennessee State Coin Show

March 1 -3, 2013

Camp Jordan Arena

Chattanooga, TN

Show information Gayle Pike

pikegk@aol.com

<http://www.tsns.org/>

Sarasota Coin Show & Sale

March 1 - 3, 2013

Sarasota Municipal Auditorium

Sarasota, FL

Sponsors Sarasota Coin Club and

Manatee Coin Club

Free Admission and Parking

Show information

http://www.frankcoxproductions.com/coin_show/index.html

Chicago Paper Money Expo 19th Annual

March 7 - 10, 2013

Crowne Plaza Chicago OHare

Rosemont, IL

Admission

Educational Programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://www.new.lynknight.com/LK/>

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

<http://www.cpmxshow.com/>

MPC FEST XIV

March 15, 16, 17 2013

Holiday Inn Express

Port Clinton, OH

Friday Bourse

March Madness

Educational Presentations

Auction and a whole lot more!

Register for the Fest by calling Kim at the Fest Holiday Inn Express:

419 732-7322.

CPMX-FEST - Interested parties:

Bill Myers, Roger Urce

Northwest Coin Club's 79th Annual Money Show

March 15, 16, 17th, 2013

Earle Brown Heritage Center

6155 Earle Brown Drive, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Free Admittance - Free Parking

Adjoining Embassy Suites Hotel - 763-560-2700

Info - northwestcoinclub.com

Lee Quast

314-276-1162

amerishow@gmail.com

Waukesha Coin Club Show 44th Annual

Sunday, March 10, 2013

09:00 to 4:00 P.M.

New Berlin Ale House

16000 West Cleveland Avenue, New Berlin , WI

For further information: <http://www.waukeshacoinclub.com/>

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo

March 14 - 17, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

<http://www.whitmanbooks.com/>

Northwest Coin Clubs 79th Annual show

March 15 17, 2013

Earle Browne Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN

Show information Lee Quast

(314) 276-1162

amerishow@gmail.com

C.A.M.P Spring Show

April 5 - 7, 2013

Monroeville, PA

Monroeville Convention Center

Show information John Paul & Kathy Sarosi

<http://www.sarosicoinshows.com/>

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention

65th Annual

April 12 - 14, 2013

Tukwila Community Center

Tukwila, WA

Admission

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Show information Michael Labosier

Mrlab@yahoo.com

<http://www.pnna.org/>

Chicago International Coin Fair

38th Annual

April 18 - 21, 2013

Admission

Educational programs

Possible Mini Fest

Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)

Show information Scott Tappa

Scott.tappa@fwmedia.com

(800) 573-0333

<http://www.cicfshow.com/>

Michigan State Numismatic Society

April 19 - 21, 2013

Location to be decided

Show information Joe LeBlanc

jhl@michsoft.com

<http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show

April 19 - 21, 2013

Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center

Dalton, GA

Free Parking

Show information Tom Youngblood

Tom.youngblood@att.net

<http://www.gamoney.org/>

Future shows

April 11 - 13, 2014

April 17 - 19, 2015

Central States Numismatic Society

April 24 - 27, 2013

Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,

Schaumburg, IL.

Auction Heritage Auctions (<http://www.ha.com/>)

Educational Programs and Exhibits

YN Activities

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Kevin Foley

kfoley2@wi.rr.com,

www.centralstates.info/

Future shows

April 23 - 26, 2014 Schaumburg, IL

April 22 - 25, 2015 Schaumburg, IL

April 27 - 30, 2016 Schaumburg, IL

Richmond Coin Show

May 3 - 5, 2013

Richmond, VA

Clarion Hotel

Free Admission and Parking

Show information Connie Robertson

Connie3798@verizon.net

<http://www.richmondcoinclub.com/>

American Numismatic Association

National Money Show

May 9 - 11, 2013

Ernest N. Morial Convention Center

New Orleans, LA

Auction by Stacks Bowers

<http://www.stacksbowers.com/>

Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

Discount coupons at <http://www.money.org/>

Email convention@money.org

Garden State Numismatic Association

May 16 - 18, 2013

Denver Coin Expo

May 17 - 19, 2013

National Western Expo Hall

Denver, CO

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page <http://www.denverxposhows.com/>

Texas Numismatic Association

55th Annual Coin Convention

May 31 - June 2, 2013

Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibit Hall

Fort Worth, TX

Admission for non members TNA & YNs

Show information Doug and Mary Davis

www.tnacoinshow@gmail.com

Whitman Coin and Collectible Baltimore Expo

June 6 - 9, 2013

Baltimore Convention Center

Baltimore, MD

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

www.whitman.com/expos

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

June 6 - 8, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

or <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Future shows

Jan 30 Feb 1, 2014

Jun 5-7, 2014

Sep 4-6, 2014

International Paper Money Show

June 14 16, 2013

Cook Convention Center East Hall

Memphis Marriott Downtown

Auction Lyn Knight Auctions

<http://new.lynknight.com/LK/>

Educational Programs and Exhibits

Possible Mini Fest

Show information Doug Davis

dopug@memphisipms.com

Summer FUN Coin Convention

July 11 13, 2013

Orange County Convention Center

Educational Programs

And Exhibits (non competitive)

Free Admission

Show information Cindy Wibker

cwibker@aol.com

www.funtopics.com

SoCal Coin & Currency Show

July 18 - 20, 2013

Ontario Convention Center

Ontario, CA

Show information www.ckshows.com

(888) 330-5188

Missouri Numismatic Society

July 25 - 27, 2013

St. Charles Convention Center

St. Charles, MO

Free Admission and Parking

YN Booth & Boy Scout Seminar

Auction Scotsman Auction Co.

www.scoins.com

Show information Sid Nusbaum

Sid1904pike@yahoo.com

American Numismatic Association

Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)

August 13 - 17, 2013

Donald E. Stephens Convention Center

Chicago/Rosemont

Auction by Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Admission for non members,

Exhibits and Educational Programs

Contact (800) 367-9723

Visit www.money.org

Email convention@money.org

Future shows

August 5 - 9, 2014 Chicago/Rosemont

August 11 - 15, 2015 Chicago/Rosemont

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Philadelphia Expo

September 19 - 21, 2013

Philadelphia Convention Center

Philadelphia, PA

Auction Stacks-Bowers

www.stacksbowers.com

Contact David Crenshaw

Phone (404) 214-4373

www.whitmanbooks.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo

Sep 26 - 28, 2013

Long Beach Convention Center

Long Beach, CA

Auction Heritage Auctions www.ha.com

Show Info: <http://www.longbeachexpo.com>

And <http://www.exposunlimited.com/>

Future shows

June 5 - 7, 2014

September 4 - 6, 2014

Moon Coin Show

October 11 - 13, 2013

Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON)

118 tables

Free Admission and Parking

Bourse Chair Lee Orr (612) 747-2409

Denver Coin Expo

October 25 - 27, 2013

National Western Expo Hall

Denver, CO

154 tables

Show information Jerry Morgan (719) 275-0585

Web page www.denverxposhows.com

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